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STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship SATTARA, 1,237 Tons, 250 H.P., Commander J. J. Ballantine, will be despatched on TUESDAY, the 15th Aug., at noon.

	Aug.		August.
Leave BOMBAY	15	Leave Pondichury	27
,, Carwar	17	,, Madras	29
,, Narrakel	19	,, Coconada	31
,, Alleppy	22		Sept.
,, Tuticorin	24	,, Vizagapatam	1
,, Columbo	25	,, Bimlipatam	2
,, Galle	26	,, Gopalpore	3
,, Negapatam	27	,, False Point	4
		Arrive CALCUTTA	5

During the S. W. Monsoon, viz., from the beginning of June to the end of August, the Steamers do not communicate with the ports of Mangalore, Cannanore, Calicut and Cochin, but passengers for the Neilgherries may be landed at Narrakel, six miles north of Cochin, from whence they may proceed by back water to stations on the Madras Railway.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

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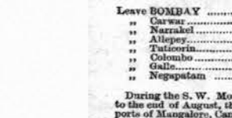
Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussora, to and from Baghdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.



THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, MAHOMERAH, and BUSSORAH.

The Steam Ship INDIA, 1,010 tons, 200 H. P., Commander R. L. Turner, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 5th August, 1871, at noon.

	Aug.		Aug.
Leave BOMBAY	5	Leave BUSSORAH	25
,, Kurrachee	10	,, Fao	25
,, Guadur	10	,, Bushire	26
,, Muscat	12	,, Linga	31
			Sep.
,, Bunder Abbas	14	,, Bunder Abbas	1
,, Linga	16	,, Muscat	3
,, Bushire	18	,, Guadur	5
,, Fao	20	,, Kurrachee	9
Arrive BUSSORAH	21	Arrive BOMBAY	12

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, despatch a steamer to Kurrachee every SATURDAY, at noon.

The Steam-ship KURRACHEE, 510 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander A. Cottier, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 12th August 1871, at noon.

N.B.—No cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY.

(VIA SUEZ CANAL).

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

The regular Steamers leave

GENOA and BOMBAY
on the 24th, on the 1st
of each month.

PASSENGER RATES,

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

To	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.
Aden	£22	£15	£4
Suez	35	24	9
Port Said	36	24	9
Alexandria	39	26	9-10
Messina	45	32	13
Naples	47	33	13
Leghorn	50	34	14
Genoa	50	34	14
Marseilles (transhipment at Genoa)	52	36	14-10

Including Wines. Without Food.

Children under 2 years, free of charge.
Children not above 10 years, half fare.
Next Steamers from Bombay,

ARABIA, on FRIDAY, 1st SEPTEMBER, 1871.
PERSIA, on SUNDAY, 1st OCTOBER, 1871.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For Hand-books of Information, Rates of Freight, &c., apply to

VOLKART BROTHERS,
Agents Rubattino Steam Navigation Company.

Bombay, 1st August 1871.

QUICK STEAM PASSAGE from LIVERPOOL.—The NEERA, s.s., Captain Cooney, which arrived at Bombay lately, via the SUEZ CANAL, made the shortest passage upon record. She called at Port Said and Suez, but was only twenty-seven days and a half under Steam from Liverpool to Bombay, including stoppages in the Canal. She took out 1,100 tons of Cargo and had 1,300 tons of Messrs. Hancock and Scott's Welsh Hartley Main Steam Coal on board when she left Liverpool.

NOTICE.—CONSIGNEES per ship CITY of VIENNA, arrived from Glasgow, are requested to DISPATCH BOATS at once to TAKE DELIVERY of their respective Goods; otherwise the same will be landed by the Captain, without further intimation, at the risk and expense of the concerned.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 1st August 1871.

NOTICE.—CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Ship CONNEMARRA, Captain Hughes, from Calcutta, are requested to PAY FREIGHT and send BILLS OF LADING to the undersigned for examination; also to SEND OFF BOATS for their Goods as they come to hand. In cases where Boats are not sent the Goods will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.

MERWANJEE NUSSERWANJEE,
Agent for Captain and Owners.

Bombay, 2nd August 1871.

MESSRS. HEPTOOLA ALLEEBHOY AND COMPANY.

22, Apollo Street, opposite the Secretariat,

Beg respectfully to invite the attention of Merchants, Captains of Vessels, Contractors, and the public in general, to their large Stock, consisting of SHIP CHANDLERY of all sorts, including Anti-fouling Composition, for the bottoms of steam vessels, and every description of engineering plant for the repairs of steamers, &c., &c. All articles supplied will be of the best quality and at moderate rates, and orders will meet with most prompt attention and be carried out in a manner which they trust will meet with approbation and a continuance of favours. A few articles on hand enumerated below, which may meet with attention :—

Best Europe Canvas, Nos. 1 to 4, at 6 annas 6 pies per yard.
Peacock's and McInnes's Anti-fouling Composition
McDougall's Disinfecting Powder.
Tops and Dies (Whitworth's), complete in cases.
Low Moor Iron Bars, Plates and Rivets.
Best Triede Flour in barrels, at Rs. 24 a barrel.
Copper and Brass Pipes of sizes.

Roman Cement in Casks.	Fire Engines complete.
Corrugated Iron.	Patent Water Closets.
Jim Crows.	Traversing Screw Jack
Smiths' English Bellows.	Corrugated Iron.
Canvas.	Bolting of sizes.
Rollers, Skins	Clear Cloth.
Bamilling Twine.	Paper for Mill use.
Portland Cement.	Iron Tanks of sizes.
Paint Oil, of various sorts	Fire Bricks.
Wire Netting.	Perforated Zinc Sheets.

N.B.—The Trade supplied at moderate rates.

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The advantages which Railway Stations present as a means of bringing intimations of all kinds before the public have been demonstrated in England by the extensive use which is made by Advertisers, of every station, great and small, along every line in the United Kingdom.

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There is no reason why the privilege should not be also specially valuable to Advertisers in India. Looking to the great and increasing number of Native Railway passengers on the two trunk lines of Western India, native merchants, traders, &c. seeing that they have the privilege of advertising in their own language, would find the publication of lines announcement, at Railway Stations a decided means of extending their business.

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Terms of Advertising may be las nod on application to the Manager "Bombay Gazette" Press.

"Bombay Gazette" Press, 1871.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Tuesday, the 8th August, at 3 P.M., from Mazagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s. s. BARODA, (1,873 tons, and 450 H.P.) Captain W. B. Hall, will LEAVE for SUEZ as above, carrying H.M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for that Port, Brindisi, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Trieste, Venice, Odessa, Genoa, Naples, and Havre, Liverpool or London.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Mazagon before 10 A.M. on the day of the Steamer's departure, in order that it may be weighed and labelled previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Mazagon at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

REDUCTION OF FARES.

The Rates of Passage Money have been reduced as follows :—

To BRINDISI .....First Class Rs. 600 Second Class Rs. 300
To SOUTHAMPTON. ,, 650 ,, 350

Exclusive of Wines and Liquors, and the transit through Egypt.

All Children under 3 years of age, free; above 3 and under 10, half fare.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

THE P. and O. Co.'s s. s. HINDOSTAN, (3,113 tons, and 600 H.P.), Captain N. Rosnell, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 16th Aug., leaving Mazagon at noon on that day, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any chest of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not lodged in the Company's office before 11 A.M. on Tuesday, the 15th proximo.

G. F. HENRY, Superintendent.

SALES BY AUCTION.

MENESSE & COMPANY.

AUCTION SALE of OLD COPPER and NAILS as well as Damaged Cargo of the French Ship Winslow.

TERMS—CASH.

Messrs. MENESSE and Co. have received instructions from the French Consul in Bombay, to sell by Public Auction, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th instant, at 1 P.M., at the British India or the Old P. and O. Company's Dock, Mazagon, on account of whom it may concern—

The Copper and Nails stripped off the French Ship Winslow.

Also on the same day at the Carnac Bunder Sheds at 3 P.M., on account of whom it may concern—

The whole of the damaged cargo of the said ship Winslow, consisting of Seeds in bags, more or less damaged by seawater.

Bombay, 5th August 1871. MENESSE & Co.

BENNETT AND COMPANY.
No. 5, Forbes Street.

WEEKLY SALE.

THIS DAY SATURDAY, the 5th instant, Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a large quantity of Grey and Colou ed Piece Goods, T Cloths, Madapolams, &c., &c.

Just Landed ex Steamer Cashmere.

7 sets English best Plated Mounted double Harness.
3 ditto ditto ditto Single Harness.
50 Cwt. Zinc Paint in Kegs.
50 ditto White Lead ditto
An Invoice of Kerosine Lamps of great variety.

At 1 P.M.

On account of the concerned—

A handsome fashionable Miniature Barouche, with best plated Lamps, Pole, Bar, and Shafts, complete, by Lovett.

1 English-built light second-hand Park Phaeton, with Pole and Shafts.

1 Flea-bitten Grey Carriage Horse.
A handsome Chestnut Arab Horse.
A strong Shigram with set of Harness.

Bombay, 5th August 1871. BENNETT & Co.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY,
3, MARINE STREET.

SALE OF FURNITURE, JEWELLERY, &c.

Under instructions from the Executors of the Will of the late Mrs. Eliza Ann Harrison, Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will, on WEDNESDAY next, the 9th instant, at 1 P.M., sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of Furniture, comprising plated Spoons and Forks, Tables and Dessert Knives and Forks, Cruet Frame, Porcelainware, Dining-room Table, with and without Arm Chairs, Clothes Presses, Chest of Drawers, China Trunks Writing Desks, Lady's Work Boxes, Towel Horses, Camp Cots, with beds, Teapoys, Dispense-room Tables, Pictures, Reading Books, Cooking Utensils, a large quantity of Wearing Apparel, Bed and Table Linen, &c. A lot of Jewellery, consisting of Diamond, Emerald and Pearl Rings, Breast-pins, Brooches, Bracelets, Gold Ear-rings, Lockets, Gold and Silver Coins, &c., &c.

Bombay, 5th August 1871. CRAWFORD & Co.

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UNDERTAKE to LAND, SHIP, CLEAR and FORWARD GOODS, PARCELS, and PACKAGES to EUROPE and INDIA with QUICK DESPATCH and at LOW CHARGES.

LANCASTER'S PATENT WROUGHT IRON TRUSS for Flat Roofs and Small Bridges to carry 6 tons distributed. These Trusses can be placed 5 feet apart to carry an ordinary Roof of 120 lbs. to the square foot. For plans and particulars apply to

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Having become the Proprietors of these Works, we are prepared to undertake the execution of all description of IRON WORKS, CASTINGS, &c.

Estimates will be given, on application to Mr. Ed. ROBSON, on the premises, or by letter to our Offices, in Elphinstone Circle. W. NICOL & Co.

KEROSINE OIL STREET LAMPS.—At the suggestion of Municipalities and other large buyers, we have REDUCED the PRICE of VICTORIA and WASHINGTON STREET LAMPS to Rs. 20 and Rs 15 respectively, and the internal parts of Victoria street Lamps to Rs. 7.

We have on sale best refined KEROSINE OIL, TOBACCO, and other AMERICAN IMPORTS.

FARNHAM & Co.

YARROW AND HEDLEY'S SMALL STEAMERS AND STEAM LAUNCHES.

BUILT OF WOOD, IRON OR STEEL.

23 feet long ..... seats for 8 persons ..... complete from £145.
30 feet long ..... seats for 14 persons ..... complete from £195.
37 feet long ..... seats for 20 persons ..... complete from £245.
43 feet long ..... seats for 30 persons ..... complete from £360.
50 feet long ..... seats for 60 persons ..... complete from £630.
&c. &c. &c.

Steamers up to 45 feet in length can be transported on a ship's deck complete, and ready for immediate use on arrival.

The above may be used for conveying passengers, carring cargo or as tugs.

The total working expenses of a steamer 43 feet long, amount to 15 shillings a day in England; the consumption of fuel being about 6 cwt., and a man and a boy the crew required.

Paddle and Screw Steamers specially designed for river navigation, having a very shallow draught of water.

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Prepared from the receipt of an eminent Physician, and experience has fully justified their recommendation as the most speedy remedy in Irritation of the Throat, Catarrhal Coughs, Bronchitis, Incipient Consumption, Spitting of Blood, &c., &c. To public speakers and vocalists they will be found invaluable, as they impart a clear and beautiful tone to the voice. Free from any preparation of Opium, and of an agreeable taste, they are applicable to all.

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No Pill is so efficacious in promoting digestion, strengthening the Stomach, correcting Acidity, preventing or removing Headache, Giddiness, &c., arising from a Costive Habit, Debilitated Stomach, or Torpid Liver. In bottles, small, medium and large.

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And of the principal Firms in India and the Colonies.

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CAUTION TO PURCHASERS.

Watches of very inferior quality NOT made by JAMES McCABE, but fraudulently marked with his name, are now being offered for sale in India and elsewhere. Purchasers are advised to exercise caution, and to buy only of respectable traders, or to remit direct by Bank draft or otherwise. Price Lists forwarded on application, post free.

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ATKINSONS' CELEBRATED EAU-DE-COLOGNE.
ATKINSONS' CELEBRATED BROWN WINDSOR SOAP, &c.

N.B.—All Perfumes manufactured "in Bond," and shipped duty free at great reduction.

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Caution.—Many spurious imitations are now sold of Messrs. J. & E. Atkinsons' Goods; orders should therefore be sent direct or through commission houses of repute. Their goods may be had of all respectable dealers throughout India and China.

COPPER-PLATE PRINTING, ENGRAVING, &c.—VISITING CARDS, Invitation Cards, Wedding Cards and Envelopes, Cheques, Bills of Lading, Offices and Bank Seals, Seals for Stamping Envelopes, &c., engraved to order, and at moderate prices. Specimens may be seen at the Office of the "Bombay Gazette" Press.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.—COPPER.—TENDERS are invited for the supply of Twenty-five Tons of SCRAP COPPER, of the best quality, for Melting and Re-casting.

Sealed Tenders, endorsed, "Tender for Scrap Copper," and which must specify the rate per cwt. delivered at the Company's Stores Depot, Byculla, will be received by the Acting Agent, at the Company's Offices, Elphinstone Circle, up to noon on MONDAY, the 14th instant.

The person whose Tender will be accepted shall give such security as may be required for the fulfilment of the terms of the Contract made with him.

The Acting Agent does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender.

W. WARDEN MORICE, Storekeeper.

Stores Office, Byculla, 4th August 1871.

WANTED, for the ESPLANADE HOTEL Provision Store, TWO EUROPEAN ASSISTANTS.

J. HUDSON WATSON & Co.

BENTON AND JOHNSON,
MANUFACTURERS OF
GOLD AND SILVER THREAD
of every description for the
INDIA AND CHINA MARKETS.
Gold, Silver, and Tinsel Twists—Braids—Bullions, &c., &c., for Embroidering.
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LONDON.
GOLD LEAF, BEST QUALITY, 45s. per 1,000.

WHITE HELMETS.
FOR MILITARY AND CIVIL WEAR.

	Cash. Rs. a.	Credit. Rs. a.
White Regulation Helmets, fitted with Chin Strap.	14 8	16 0
White Regulation Helmets, extra quality with Chin Strap...	16 0	18 0
White Hunting Helmets, wide brim	13 8	15 0
Do. do. extra quality	16 0	18 0
Drab Hunting Helmets, wide brim	8 8	10 0
Small Hats for evening wear ... from	5 0	6 0
... to	7 0	8 0

BRACES,
BEST MAKES ONLY.

Guyot's French Braces	1 14	2 0
Do. best quality	2 0	2 4
Light, Leather, very strong	2 0	2 4
Scarlet, Berlin	2 0	2 4
White, do.	2 0	2 4

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OUTFITTERS, BOMBAY.

CHINA TEA.
THE SUPERB HOWQUA'S MIXTURE,
Specially selected by
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From the finest growths. In sealed Packets of 1 lb. each,
Cash Rs 2-6 ; Credit Rs. 2-10.

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BRACELETS.	LOCKETS.	SHIRT STUDS.
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FINGER RINGS.	SCARF RINGS.	WEDDING RINGS.

AND A VARIETY OF OTHER NEW GOODS,
all of the best London manufacture.

DETAILS FURNISHED, FREE, ON APPLICATION BY
TREACHER & Co. (Limited).

SUPERIOR PALE BRANDIES,
From the celebrated Distilleries of the
VINE-GROWERS' ASSOCIATION OF COGNAC.

	Cash. Rs. a.	Credit. Rs. a.
FINE OLD PALE COGNAC (Treacher's celebrated Heart Label quality), pure, soft and delicate, per doz.	27 0	30 0
Do. do. Pint Travelling Flasks ... do.....	16 0	18 0
OLD PALE BRANDY, a spirit very superior to the lower brands of Hennessey, Martell, and others, commonly sold at same rate	24 0	27 0
OLD BRANDY ; a sound wholesome spirit	18 0	21 0

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HOUSES, &c., TO LET.

TO LET, ROOMS on 1st and 2nd Flour Block No. 2, and on the 1st Floor Block No. 4, Elphinstone Circle, suitable for Offices.—Apply to

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TO LET, a spacious two-storied HOUSE, at the corner of Church Gate Street, opposite the Cathedral and adjoining the "Times of India" Office.

The commodious HOUSE in Rampart Row, Fort, lately occupied by the National Bank of India.

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The well-known BUNGALOW at Bandora Point, called the "Land's End."

A commodious BUNGALOW at Poona, Civil Lines, the former res dence of the Lord Bishop of Bombay.

One BUNGALOW at Poona, Civil Lines, near the Railway Station.

For the October Season.—A BUNGALOW at MATHERAN (with Furniture), situated on one of the best sites of the Hill, and commanding an excellent view.

Apply to NANABHOY BYRAMJEE JEEJEEBHOY, at the Office of the Honorable Byramjee Jeejeebhoy.

FRAUD.

On the 27th June, 1866, MOTEEWALLAH, a Printer, was convicted at the Supreme Court, Calcutta, of counterfeiting the

LABELS

Of Messrs. CROSSE and BLACKWELL,

London, and was sentenced by Mr. Justice Phear to TWO YEARS' RIGOROUS IMPRISONMENT; And on the 30th of the same month, for

SELLING SPURIOUS ARTICLES

Bearing Labels in imitation of Messrs. CROSSE and BLACKWELL'S, Shaik Bachoo was sentenced, by the Suburban Magistrate at Sealdah, to

TWO YEARS' RIGOROUS IMPRISONMENT.

CAUTION.—Any one selling spurious oilmen's stores, under Crosse and Blackwell's name, will be liable to the same punishment, and will be vigorously prosecuted. Purchasers are recommended to examine all goods carefully upon taking delivery of them, and to destroy all bottles and jars when emptied. The GENUINE Manufactures, the corks of which are all branded with Crosse and Blackwell's name, may be had from EVERY RESPECTABLE DEALER in India.

COAL TAR SOAP.

WRIGHT'S SAPO CARBONIS DETERGENS.—Purifying, disinfecting, and antiseptic. It cleanses, purifies, and sweetens the skin, imparting to it rare brilliancy, fragrance, and smoothness. It destroys all itching and disagreeable odour from the person, and renders the whole body sweet and wholesome. Mothers should use it daily on their children. It is an elegant toilet Soap, a great preservative of health, and sweetly scented. Its use thoroughly purifies and disinfects the body after an attack of fever, scarlatina, small-pox, and other maladies.

"It is the only coal tar soap with which we are acquainted."—The British Medical Journal.

Anonymous Letters often reach us praying for a remedy for foul breath or perspiration. Here is one."—The Medical Times and Gazette.

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Real Turtle, Mock Turtle, Hare, Ox Tail, Julienne and Palestine Soups.
Scotch Salmon, Salmon Cutlets.
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Fresh Herrings, Mackarel, Findon Haddocks, Lobsters, Oysters, Sardines.
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1. To receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts to 30th June 1871, and to declare a Dividend.

2. To appoint an Auditor for the ensuing year, and to fix his remuneration.

3. To appoint Directors in the place of those who retire by rotation, and to consider any other business that may be brought before the Meeting.

By order of the Board of Directors,
For the London, Asiatic, and American Company (Limited),
Bombay, 1st August 1871. A. E. ASHLEY, Joint Manager, Secretaries.

N. B.—The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from THIS DATE to 10TH AUGUST 1871.

THE FRAMJEE COWASJEE PATENT PRESS COMPANY.—NOTICE.—An ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Registered Shareholders of this Company will be HELD at the Office of the Acting Manager, No. 33, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, on FRIDAY, the 11th August 1871, at 3 P.M., to transact the following business :—

1st To receive the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet for the year ending 30th June 1871.

2nd. To declare a Dividend.

3rd. To elect two Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.

4th. To appoint an Auditor or Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix his or their remuneration.

W. M. TENNENT, Acting Manager.

Bombay, 2nd August 1871.

An EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Registered Shareholders of the Company will be HELD at the above place on the same day at half-past three P.M., when the following Resolution will be proposed :—

"That Clause 56 of the Articles of Association of the Company, substituted for the original Clause of that number by Special Resolution, dated 7th October 1869, confirmed on the 25th October 1869, be expunged, and that the following Clause be inserted in lieu thereof :—

"That Mr. W. M. Tennent shall be Manager of the Company, and shall have the general management of the concerns of the Company, subject to the supervision of the Board of Directors, and shall receive all Moneys due and keep all the Books of Account thereof, and that his remuneration t e fixed at 5 per cent. on the actual gross income of the Company."

By order of the Directors,
W. M. TENNENT, Acting Manager.

Bombay, 2nd August 1871.

BANK of BOMBAY (in Liquidation).—NOTICE to the PROPRIETORS of the BANK.—I hereby give NOTICE, that a FOURTH DISTRIBUTION of the ASSETS of the BANK, at the rate of Rs. 10 per Share, will be PAYABLE on and after TUESDAY, the 1st proximo.

Share Certificates must be produced at the time of application for payment.

WILLIAM RODGIE, Liquidator.

Bombay, 26th July 1871.

NEW BANK of BOMBAY, Limited.—NOTICE is hereby given, that the FOURTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the PROPRIETORS will be HELD at the Office of the Bank, Elphinstone Circle, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY, the 9th day of August next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the following objects :—

1. To receive the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts up to 30th ultimo.

2. To declare a Dividend and to determine the amount to be carried to Reserve Fund.

3. To approve the election of Captain G. F. Henry as a Director of the Bank.

4. To elect Directors for the ensuing year, in room of Dinshaw Manockjee Petit, Esq., and E. D. Sassoon, Esq., who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.

5. To elect Auditors for the ensuing year, and to fix their remuneration.

6. To sanction the establishment of a Branch of the Bank at Dhollera.

7. To approve the adoption of an Officers' Mutual Guarantee Fund for securing the fidelity of the Officers of the Bank, and to sanction a contribution by the Bank for the furtherance of the scheme of Rs. 5,000 annually for 5 years out of the profits of the Bank at the discretion of the Directors.

The following Resolution will also be proposed as a Special Resolution according to the 51st Section of the Indian Companies' Act 1866 :—

That the following Clause be substituted for the present 81st Clause of the Articles of Association of the Company, viz., "The Secretary and Treasurer and every other such Officer of the Company as the Board may from time to time require so to do shall give security to the Company in such form and in such an amount as the Board may determine for securing the fidelity of such Officer and the proper discharge of his duties."

By order of the Board of Directors,
W. FRASER,
Officiating Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 19th July 1871.

NOTICE.

THE GREAT NORTHERN INDIA ST. LEGER SWEEP.—1871.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

SHARE MARKET.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

DEMANDS for Port Canning shares at Rs. 395. Mofussil Press shares closed dull. Government Paper steady.

CALCUTTA.—31ST JULY, 1871.

THE following transactions were reported :—

In Government Securities—

4 per cents heavy amounts at Rs 99-13 and 99-14 or 0-3 and 0-2 discount; and settlements of differences of time-bargain transactions due to-day and to-morrow at Rs 99-12 and 0-4 discount.

In shares—

Bank of Bengal shares at Rs 1,380.

—*Englishman.*

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS.—AUGUST 4.

Fisher, Colonel, 5th Regiment L. I., from furlough, from England.

Jacob, Captain, 19th Regiment N. I., from leave, from Poona.

DEPARTURE.—AUGUST 4.

Grierson, Captain, Public Works Department, on duty, to Deesa.

POONA DIVISION ORDERS.

BY MAJOR-GENERAL J. T. GRANT, C.B.,
Commanding Poona Division of the Army.
Poona, 1st August, 1871.

The undermentioned officer has obtained leave :—

3rd Hussars—Captain Starkey, from 16th August to 14th September 1871, on privilege leave.

At the recommendation of the Deputy Inspector General of Hospitals B. S., Staff Assistant Surgeon Giraud, arrived from Bombay for general duty, is directed to do duty with the 19th Regiment.

POONA STATION ORDERS.

BY MAJOR-GENERAL J. T. GRANT, C.B.,
Commanding at Poona.
Poona, 2nd August, 1871.

The undermentioned officers have obtained leave of absence :—

Captain W. Bell, H. M.'s 56th Regiment, for 8 days from 5th instant, on station leave.

Lieutenant A. R. Forde, H. M.'s 56th Regiment, for 8 days from the 6th instant, on station leave.

Ensign W. Capel, H. M.'s 56th Regiment, for 8 days from 5th instant, on station leave.

Captain E. Lonsdale, H. M.'s 49th Regiment, for 8 days from the 5th instant, on station leave.

Lieutenant H. B. Walmsley, H. M.'s 56th Regiment, attached General Depot, for 7 days from the 6th instant, on station leave.

Captain C. E. Stack, 1st Light Cavalry, for 8 days from the 6th instant, on station leave.

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.
Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters,
Poona, 2nd Aug., 1871.

Official notification has been received of the undermentioned officers having been removed to the battalion of his regiment specified :—

2nd Foot—Lieutenant Barter, 2nd Battalion.

Referring to G. G. O. No. 511 of 25th ultimo Sergeant J. D. Sharman will join the 6th Brigade Royal Artillery.

Erratum.—In G. O. C. No. 459, dated 26th ultimo, for Nealson read Nealon.

The Commander-in-Chief is pleased to make the following appointment :—

3rd Regiment Light Cavalry—Lieutenant M. James, 59th Foot, 2nd Wing Subaltern 8th N. I., to be 2nd Squadron Subaltern.

The undermentioned officer has leave of absence :—

59th Foot—Assistant Surgeon H. T. Brown, M.D., to Bombay, from date of departure for 30 days, on medical certificate, preparatory to obtaining a final certificate to Europe.

MADRAS GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Fort St. George Gazette*, Aug. 1.)

His Excellency the Governor in Council directs it to be notified that the Council of the Governor of Fort Saint George will, on and after Friday the 4th August 1871, and until further notice, assemble at Ootacamund on the Neilgherry Hills.

The following officers of the Secretariat will accompany the Government to Ootacamund :—

The Chief Secretary to Government,
The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
The Secretary to Government, Military Department.
The Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.
The Under-Secretary to Government, Public Department.
The Under-Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

All communications to the address of the Chief Secretary and the Secretaries to Government in the Revenue and Military Departments which cannot reach Madras by the 1st August, will be sent direct to Ootacamund, and those to the Secretary to Government in the Public Works Department to Fort St. George.

The Commissary of the Diocese has granted the Reverend D. G. Clarke, B.A., Chaplain of Vepery, privilege leave for two months, from the date of quitting his station, under sections 15 and 16 of the rules of 1868.

Captain (Major) J. G. Eyres, Royal Madras Engineers, died at Madras on the 29th July 1871.

NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES ORDERS.

(*Government Gazette, N. W. Provinces*, Aug. 2.)

The undermentioned officers have been granted leave of absence :—

Mr. William Ralph Benson, officiating Judge, Azimgurh, three months' privilege leave, with effect from the 12th August next.

Local Lieutenant Thomas Jones Ryves, District Superintendent of Police, Shahjehanpore, two months' privilege leave of absence, with effect from the 20th August next.

Mr. Alexander Robinson, Assistant Magistrate and Collector, in charge of the Sub Division of Kasaya, in the Gorruckpore district, three months' privilege leave, with effect from 14th July, 1871.

Mr. William Hebard Hudson, Assistant Magistrate and Collector, Gorruckpore, furlough in India for three months, on medical certificate, with effect from the 1st August next.

Mr. William Samuel Etheridge Marston, Head-master, Agra College, four months' leave on private affairs.

Mr. Edward Foster, officiating District Superintendent of Police, Mynpoory, to officiate as District Superintendent of Police, Banda, during the absence on leave of Mr. C. T. Castle, or until further orders.

Mr. William Hope Angelo Short, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, Bareilly, to officiate as District Superintendent of Police, Shahjehanpore, during the absence on leave of Local Lieutenant Ryves or until further orders.

Mr. Edward White, Assistant Magistrate, to be placed in sub-divisional charge of Pilibheet, with effect from 26th May, 1871, and to be invested with powers of a Magistrate under section 23D. and 23H. of the Criminal Procedure Code.

Mr. Archibald Reid Swiney Pollock, to officiate as District and Sessions Judge of Azimgarh, from the date upon which Mr. Maynard Brodhurst returns from privilege leave.

Mr. W. Bonnand to officiate as Head-master, Agra College, until further orders, as a temporary arrangement.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVAL.

Aug.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
4	Duiveland	Gravé	Mauritius, July 16

DEPARTURE.

Aug.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
4	William Prowse	Finlay	Cochin.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday :—

Ship Scotland, Taylor, to Moulmein.
Ship Flying Venus, Logan, to Liverpool.
Ship Evening Star, Fladsend, to Calcutta.

THE HOOGHLY.

ARRIVAL.

Aug.			
1	Gainsborough	Charlton	London, April: 2.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Aug.			
1	Mahratta (s)	.....	Calcutta.
	Dunphaile Castle ..	.....	Cocanada.

DAILY IMPORTS.—4TH AUGUST.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

William Prowse, 9 packages glassware and 12 packages earthenware, Ritchie, Pollexfen & Co.

Sydney Eggers, 17 casks paints of sorts, P Framjee.

FROM LONDON.

Nelson, 5 cases brandy, Payne & Co.

White Adder, 2 casks emerald green, 50 casks yellow ochre burnt, and 90 drums linseed oil, A H Tyebjee; 25 boxes claret and 7 boxes champagne cognac, N Ardaseer & Sons; 38 casks porter, W Watson & Co; 8 casks paints, 2 cases ve sh, 25 drums linseed oil, and 25 casks yellow ochre burnt, T Abdoolally & Co.

FROM GLASGOW.

City of Vienna, 4 cases sulphuric acid, A H Lallmeeya.

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FOR LIVERPOOL.

Sternoway, 33 bales cotton, C S Nandershaw.

Millwall, 56 bales cotton, J Campbell & Co.; 109 bales cotton, M Hurrakchund; 100 bales cotton, S Vagjee; 65 bales cotton, K Bhowanjee; 150 bales cotton, Behrend Brothers
28 balgs cotton, D Mooljee
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ve (s), 101 bales wool, N. Khuttow; 100 bales cotton, Killick Nixon & Co; 34 bales cotton, H. Gulalchund; 30 bales wool, S. Damodhur; 100 bales cotton, S Vagjee; 1 bales cotton, V Vagjee: 59 bales cotton, K Nansee: 25 bales wool, J. Umiashunker; 105 bales cotton, M Sarjee; 75 bales cotton, P Chunnam; 90 bales cotton, P Bhanjee; 53 bales cotton, C. Joogoolbhoy.

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Whittington, 500 bags linseed, Spencer, Shaw & Co; 5 cases indigo and 4 bales skins, H E Jetaker; 30 cases grass oil, S H bin Moosa.

hedive (s), 15 bales hides, S O A S N Meera & Co; 10 packages shank shells and 56 packages Colomboroot, A Jacoob; 5 bales hides, G R Caderbhoy; 45 bales skins, M A Surugoodin & Co.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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EUROPE.

MARRIAGE.

WILLIAMS—SKERRETT—July 1st, at St. Mary's, Haddington Road, Dublin, George Douglas, eldest son of G. T. Williams, Esq., Barrister-at-law, Inner Temple, to Matilda, third daughter of W. J. Skerrett, Esq., D.L., of Finavara, County Clare, Ireland.

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

PAIN—Aug. 1st 2nd, at Myrtle Cottage, Ahmednugur, the wife of Mr. C. Pain, Sub-Engineer P. W. D., of a daughter.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGE.

WALPOLE—TEMPLETON—July 29th, at Chinsurah, by the Rev. J. T. Babanau, Henry Walpole, Esq., son of the late General H. Walpole, of the Indian Army, to Tempe Georgiana, second daughter of Mr. M. S. Templeton.

DEATHS.

CARTER—July 30th, at Simla, Rev. S. Carter, Church Mission.
CORNISH—July 25th, at Rajmahal, Philip Cowley Cornish, aged 34 years.

The Bombay Gazette.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5, 1871.

THERE is now before the Legislative Council of India a Bill for so amending the Law of Evidence in this country as effectually to muzzle the barristers whose interference often hinders the judicial servants of Government from having it all their own way in the administration of justice in India. The professed object of the Bill is to "protect witnesses against needless questions" put by advocates who abuse their power of cross-examination to make inquiries that are irrelevant to the matter at issue. Mr. Stephen, who is, we suppose, the real author of the Bill, graciously admits that the existence of the power of cross-examination is "essential to the administration of justice," but at the same time he believes it to be "liable to great abuses." In the report of the Committee appointed to prepare the Bill, the proposed alterations in the law are defended in this way :—

"The need for the power (of cross-examination) and the danger of its abuse are proved by English experience, but in this country litigation of various kinds, and criminal prosecutions in particular, are the great engines of malignity, and it is accordingly even more necessary here than in England, both to permit the exposure of corrupt motives and to prevent the use of power of exposure as a means of gratifying malice. We have accordingly provided as follows :

"Such questions may relate either to matters relevant to the case, or to matters not relevant to the case. If they relate to matters relevant to the case, we think that the witness ought to be compellable to answer, but that his answer should not afterwards be used against him.

"If they relate to matters not relevant to the case, except in so far as they affect the credit of the witness, we think that the witness ought not to be compelled to answer. His refusal to do so would, in most cases, serve the purpose of discrediting him, as well as an express admission that the imputation conveyed by the question was true.

"In order to protect witnesses against needless questions of this kind, we enact that any advocate who asks such questions without written instructions (which the Court may call upon him to produce, and may impound when produced) shall be guilty of a contempt of Court, and that the Court may record any such question if asked by a party to the proceedings. The record of the question or the written instructions are to be admissible as evidence of the publication of an imputation intended to harm the reputation of the person affected, and such imputations are not to be regarded as privileged communications, or as falling under any of the exceptions to section four hundred and ninety-nine of the Indian Penal Code, merely because they were made in the manner stated. Upon a trial for defamation, it would of course be open to the person accused to show, either that the imputation was true, and that it was for the public good that the imputation should be made (Ex. 1, section 449, I. P. C.), or that it was made in good faith for the protection of the interest of the person making it or any other person (ex. 9.) This is the only method which occurs to us of providing at once for the interests of a *bona fide* questioner and an innocent witness."

Besides fixing these limitations to the licence the Bar has hitherto enjoyed, the Committee suggests that the authority of Indian judges should be greatly enlarged. The Bill empowers the Court "to forbid indecent and scandalous inquiries, unless they relate to facts in issue, or to matters absolutely necessary to be known, in order to determine whether the facts in issue existed," and also to forbid questions "intended to insult or annoy," and one clause of the Bill expressly assigns to the judge alone the power of determining whether there is any such intention on the part of counsel, and even authorizes him, further, to forbid "any question which, though proper in itself, appears to the Court needlessly offensive in form." While these restrictions are placed upon the freedom of the Bar, we find in the Bill a clause which practically invests the Judge with arbitrary authority to conduct a case as he likes. Let our readers consider what might be the effect of conceding to a prejudiced and ill-tempered Judge the privilege described in the following clause :—

"The Judge may ask any question he pleases in any form at any time of any witness about any fact relevant or irrelevant, or may order the production of any document or thing, and neither the parties nor their agents shall be entitled to make any objection to any such question or order, nor without the leave of the Court, to cross-examine any witness upon any answer given in reply to any such question."

We do not wonder that the Bar of Bombay has sent in to Government a formal protest against the provisions of a Bill which threatens to render impossible the very existence of an independent Bar in India. It is, of course, true that the power of cross-examination is sometimes abused; and one's pity is often excited for a witness badgered by the harassing and vexatious questions of Old Bailey barristers. But it is a serious thing to say that one of the principal guarantees of the free and impartial administration of justice in our courts ought to be abolished, because it may occasionally be made the means of causing annoyance to individuals. Men cannot have freedom of any kind without running some risk; and the question for legislators to consider is whether liberty with all its drawbacks is not better for a people than what Indian bureaucrats call the salutary restraints imposed by a despotic Government. We agree, to a great extent, with the critics who maintain that the procedure of the English law courts which we have introduced into this country is far too complex and cumbrous, and that probably justice would in many cases be done much more speedily and cheaply if the native institution of the punchayet were permitted to do the work of our judges and juries. But, as English law courts exist here we cannot afford to dispense with the safeguards of English practice. We may pay too dearly for that virtue of simplicity in the administration of justice which Mr. Stephen and his colleagues seem to be enamoured of. There is nothing so simple as despotism. It would save people infinite trouble if all their disputes were adjusted by a judge who disposed of cases by merely giving an order what should be done; but, for the sake of truth and justice, it is better that the decisions of our Courts should be based on the results of a frank and searching investigation into all matters that can throw light on "the facts in issue." This necessary freedom of inquiry cannot survive the passing of a Bil which would hamper an advocate with the perpetual fear of making himself liable to an action for defamation under the Penal Code if he put an indiscreet question to a disreputable witness. The modern admirers of complete codes are apt to value lightly the practical sagacity of the maxims underlying the practice of English courts of law; but it is, after all, a sufficient compensation for the hazard of occasionally wounding the feelings of a witness that the power of cross-examination, which leaves a barrister free thus to overstep the bounds of discretion and good taste, has materially aided in securing to the English people a system of administration of justice which is acknowledged to be of unrivalled excellence.

At a time when so many educated natives are studying for the Bar, it is the height of inconsistency for the Government to attempt to fetter the freedom of advocates, or to go back to the exploded plan of setting the judges above the law in India. In no country do the judges stand in so much need of being checked by free and skilled criticism, for they are servants of Government chosen from a special official caste, and all their prejudices and interests are naturally enlisted on the side of the higher authorities to whom they look for promotion. The temper of Indian bureaucrats, too, is not as a rule quiet and impartial; and some outside influence is required to moderate their love of arbitrary power. Take, for example, the case that has just been tried at Simla. An English tradesman wishes to make some alterations in his house that cannot be effected without a temporary breaking up of part of a public road. He arranges with the Municipal Commissioners of Simla that he shall be allowed to do what he wants, and begins work accordingly. But, as so often happens in such cases, when the written agreement is brought to him to sign, he contends that the conditions laid down in it are different from those he had arranged in conversation with the Commissioners. This difference might, however, have been removed, and a friendly understanding come to, if one of the Commissioners, Major Parsons, had not taken it into his head, with or without cause, that the tradesman, Mr. O'Connor, was one of those men who ought to be put down with a strong hand. Major Parsons insisted that Mr. O'Connor should sign the agreement without any further reference to the Commissioners; and, because this was not done, and the road was left in a broken state for a day or two, though the works were stopped, Major Parsons, in his capacity of Deputy Commissioner, first fines Mr. O'Connor Rs. 40, and then two days afterwards has him arrested on a warrant, and sent to prison. This last tyrannical decree was, of course, too glaringly illegal to be maintained, and Mr. O'Connor was only kept in jail for a few days. On his release he brought an action for damages against Major Parsons; and the judge, Mr. Macnab, has now decided that, if a magistrate believes he has jurisdiction, even though his belief is wrong, the law is that he must be assumed in any case to have acted without malice. This version of the law has been appealed against, and it is possible the High Court may reassure Englishmen in India by declaring that their property and liberty are not placed by the law entirely at the mercy of capricious and ill-tempered magistrates. But clearly no special change in the law of evidence can be desirable, which would enlarge the authority of such men as Major Parsons and Mr. Macnab, or protect them from having the legality of their proceedings questioned by audacious English barristers.

THE Hon. F. B. Pearson has resumed his seat in the High Court of Judicature, N.W.P.

THE Judicial Commissioner of Mysore has suspended from duty Mr. VanIngen, Sr., head clerk of the Judicial Commissioner's office, pending the result of the "VanIngen affray."

IT is reported that the Government of India has, by a recent resolution, vested the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal with the power of disposing of cases of lapsed pensions without the sanction of the Supreme Government previously obtained.

THE Souvenance appears to have been lost near Quoin Point, the Cape of Good Hope. By last accounts debris was washing up along the coast for some distance. Some 155 bodies had been recovered, and had been buried. They proved to be 150 coloured and 15 white men.

WE ("Madras Athenæum") hear that the Hon. J. B. Norton, Advocate-General, Madras, who is now in England and lately applied to the Madras Government for an extension of six months' leave, has cancelled his leave, as he returns to Madras shortly to conduct the Berhampore Zemindary case.

WE ("Indian Daily News") are glad to learn that the Government of India have recommended to the Secretary of State the granting of a pension of Rs. 700 per annum, and gratuity amounting to one year's pay of her late husband, to the widow of Assistant-Surgeon Maingay, who was killed while in the performance of his duty at the outbreak of prisoners in the Central Jail at Rangoon. This is in addition to the pension she may be entitled to from the military.

THE Sirhind Division is likely soon to be vacant. General Turner and General Donald Stewart are both mentioned for the command, the former, we read, being the first favourite among military circles in Calcutta, where his urbanity and soldierly qualities have made him generally esteemed. General Turner is on leave in England; General Stewart is on the spot, having been detained at Simla by ill-health, from which, however, he is now convalescent.

AN interesting minute by the Lieutenant Governor of Bengal on a change introduced in the jail administration of Bengal has been published. Mr. Campbell is determined to make jails in Bengal something more than mere productive manufactories. His Honor says that "sometimes the system followed seems to be too (much) that of a manufactory, and too little that of a jail. Wherever this is so, it should be remedied." He also attacks the comparative mildness of the punishment often inflicted on "short term" prisoners, and thinks that "it is of all things most necessary that imprisonment should be rigorous and stinging."

A FEVER, almost as fatal in its effects as that which has decimated the population in parts of Burdwan, seems during last year to have committed dreadful ravages in the Godavery district, for the report of Dr. Wright, who was especially deputed to the suffering villages, states that 20,000 persons died of the disease in 1869-70, principally during the months from May to October. At the suggestion of Dr. Balfour, four warrant medical officers are to be placed under Dr. Wright's orders, to travel about in the district, and afford medical aid to the people; and Dr. Wright is to be at once telegraphed when a bad outbreak occurs.

ON Wednesday last, we are informed by the "Englishman," it was finally decided by the Governor-General that all members of the Civil Service shall henceforth wear the diplomatic uniform. Military officers in civil employ may choose between the blue and gold or their own scarlet, but they must adhere to one or the other. The old story of civilians attending durbars in sola topees and shooting coats is probably beyond the experience of the present generation, but a public ceremony scarcely ever takes place without some more or less modified phenomenon of this sort. The formal orders are to appear shortly, and on all occasions when civilians are directed to appear "in dress" they will have to come buttoned up in a uniform invented for a more temperate climate.

KHAN SAHEB CURSETJEE PALLONJEE, the Inspecting Postmaster of the Guzerat Division, has made a proposal, we hear, to Colonel Barr, the Resident at Baroda, to open a Post-office in the city in addition to those in the camp. Were an office established in the city of Baroda, it would be a great boon to the inhabitants of the town, for at present they have to travel three miles to post their letters in the camp; and, as the majority of the trading community, except ing the European population in the cantonment live in the city, the sooner an office is established in the city the better. The income from the establishment of a post-office in the city will much more than cover the expenditure, not to speak of the convenience and saving of time to the bankers and traders of Baroda. This subject was mentioned to His Highness the late Gaekwar, but he was opposed to the institution. It is to be trusted, however, that under the new régime, the proposal will be more liberally received. Mr. Cursetjee is much to be commended for his zealous endeavours to improve the postal communication under his charge. He has also the supervision of the postal arrangements on the Bombay and Baroda Railway line; and his long experience in the department has been of vast use in the working of the post paid out of the Local Funds in Guzerat. This new system has been also introduced in the territory of H. H. the Gaekwar, and has proved a success, mainly owing to the energetic exertions of the Inspecting Postmaster. Economy in the working of the railway post, and in all the subordinate offices in Guzerat, has been observed under his inspection, and the result is a surplus revenue to Government, without in the least impairing the efficiency of the department.

THE "Economist" :—A case, which puts in the strongest light the absurdity of the legal distinction between personal and real property, especially in the difference of the rules laid down for succession, came before Vice-Chancellor Wickens this week. The point in the case—Fowler *v.* Scott—was whether certain property in Chancery was to go to the husband of a deceased lady or her sisters, and it all depended on the question whether the property was personal or real. If personal it would go wholly to the husband, if real to the sisters. It appeared that the estate was real estate; but a decree had been made in the cause directing its sale, to which the lady before marriage had given her consent, and this was interpreted by the Court as showing an intention on her part that it should be converted into personal property. Consequently the husband was held entitled to succeed. Clearly a mere chance has in this instance been held to regulate the destination of property, as no lady was at all likely to contemplate so incidental an effect of her consent to a sale as that it would decide the succession to her estate. If she had thought about the matter at all she would have ascertained there was a legal doubt, and made a will. No case could show more forcibly the absurdity of legal distinctions about property which make its destination at death dependent on a mere chance.

THE Calcutta correspondent of the "Pall Mall Gazette," who, taking his tone from official circles on the other side of India, systematically disparages the Bombay Government, makes the following pleasant comments on the results of the Provincial Finance experiment in this Presidency :—

True to its traditions, extravagant little Bombay has not reduced a penny of expenditure, but has, instead, passed a bill for imposing a direct tax on those of its rural non-agricultural classes whose earnings do not fall below £15 a year. The tax itself cannot be considered a crushing one, ranging as it does from three to twelve shillings a year; but it was not wanted, and, with the smallest exercise of economical administration, might well have been dispensed with. This practice is not, however, to be learnt in a day, and the habits acquired through years of irresponsible command of an apparently bottomless purse can only be got rid of through the hard experience of rigidly restricted means.

Yet we seem to remember that the works of the new High Court on the Esplanade—a building urgently needed—have been suspended this year for want of funds, and that Sir S. Fitzgerald lamented, in his Budget speech, the necessity for economy which compelled him to abandon his intention of building a decent Lunatic Asylum in Bombay in place of the "filthy and loathsome hovels," in which patients are now locked up at Colaba. "F. N.," the "Pall Mall's" correspondent, has not got hold of the *cunard* about the furniture for Gunnesh Khind; but we shall probably hear of it in a mail or two.

THE "Asiatic" :—The French Messageries Companies have found it necessary to reduce their rates of freight for silk from China to 7tls. per cwt. to Marseilles and London. The P. and O. also offers to take silk through to New York for 9tls.

The following notes on India matters at home are from the same journal :—

The evidence before the Indian Committee preserves generally that delicate rose tint which delights authority and disarms the critic. The tendency of the questions, with some few exceptions, notably that of Mr. Fawcett, is to elicit replies somewhat favourable to officialism past and present, and rather to smother than to extract unwelcome truths. We trust that ere long we shall see some other witnesses examined—such as Sir Arthur Cotton, General Balfour, Mr. Norton of Madras, Mr. Rhodes Pichard, and others. Valuable information and conscientious statements have, doubtless, been made by officials, especially by men like Sir R. Montgomery, Sir Donald Macleod, and others of the same calibre; but, in spite of high honour and strict veracity, official bias will cause a certain leaning towards the support of official virtue, and cast a decent cloak over official shortcomings. Human nature repeats itself in committees as elsewhere, and a spice of healthy opposition is all in favour of a thorough diagnosis. The Parliamentary Committee of Enquiry will, of course, be extended to next session. Next year the expenditure side of the accounts will be taken up. This year it is only proposed to examine the home charges. The India Office, however, in anticipation of the enquiry by the Committee is, we believe, about to appoint a Committee of its own to inquire into military expenditure. This Committee will consist of General Balfour, Sir Bartle Frere, and General Jameson.

After considerable delay the Indian Court of the International Exhibition has at last been thrown open to the public, and a crowded attendance evinces a gratifying evidence of the daily increasing interest which is awakening here with regard to Indian art and industry.

A NEW RULE IN THE HIGH COURT.

AT the High Court, Original Jurisdiction Side, yesterday, the Hon. the Chief Justice, addressing the members of the Bar present, said he would mention what, he thought, the gentlemen of the Bar would be glad to learn, that the Court had made new rules by which parties could take out a speedy execution in any case they wished. It was not compulsory, and parties might get the benefit of it if they wished, for a little additional expense. The rule had been made for saving the time which is taken in drawing out a bill and taxing the costs. His Lordship expected it would be a great improvement, and it would enable suitors to obtain immediate execution whenever they have reason to believe that a party is about to make away with his property or to make away with himself.

FLOODS IN GUZERAT.

THE Acting Agent of the B. B. and C. I. Railway yesterday telegraphed from Baroda that there had been great floods in the northern rivers crossed by the railway. A bridge over the Watruck has been carried away, and the Myhe Bridge has been slightly injured by large drift timber. Communication will, however, we are assured, soon be restored.

TOTAL LOSS OF THE SHIP WHITE JACKET.

A TELEGRAM was received in Bombay yesterday, reporting the total loss of the ship White Jacket, Captain Johnson, which sailed from Bombay for Hull on 28th April with 21,000 bags of linseed. She appears to have struck on the island of Rodrigues on 23rd May, and to have become a total wreck. No lives were lost, and the captain and crew have arrived at Mauritius; and of the cargo 3,000 bags were saved. The White Jacket was a vessel of 1,148 tons.

THE NEW FRENCH LOAN.

TO THE EDITOR OF T. "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—As I see in the home papers, arrived by this mail, an erroneous statement made with respect to the pre-payment of instalments under discount at 6 per cent per annum, will you allow me to give you the text of the decree made at Versailles, 23rd June, by the Minister of Finance?

"Après la répartition, les versements anticipés seront reçus, soit pour l'intégralité d'un ou de plusieurs termes, soit pour la libération entière du certificat d'emprunt. La bonification courra du jour du versement. Elle sera de 6 per 100 l'an jusqu'au 31 Decembre 1871. Passé cette époque, le taux de cette bonification pourra être modifié par un arreté ministeriel."

"After the allotment is made prepayment will be permitted of one or more instalments, as also the entire amount. The rebate will be reckoned from the day of payment. It will be at the rate of 6 per cent per annum up to 31st December 1871. After that date the rate of interest may be altered by a ministerial decree."—Yours, &c.,

E. J. HARDCASTLE,
Manager Comptoir D'Escompte de Paris.
Bombay, 4th August.

NOTES OF A JOURNEY HOME.

A WEEK IN EGYPT.

PORT SAID, 9TH JULY.

WISHING to see the Canal, we paid a sovereign each for a passage by the Sphinx from Suez to Ismailia. To describe the Canal would be to give you an account of depths and breadths, and of these I can tell you nothing new. The Bitter Lakes and Lake Timsah are pretty sheets of water; elsewhere we saw nothing but banks of sand, which shut out the view of the country. We were seven hours under steam on the way to Ismailia, and no difficulty seemed to be experienced in the navigation. As the pilot who comes on board at Suez leaves the vessel here—another taking his place for the remainder of the passage—the voyager has an opportunity of going ashore in one of the Canal Company's steam launches. A rupee to the men in it (for the two of us) seemed to gratify them. There might be a difficulty in landing here if the passenger had a large quantity of luggage with him, as no time is lost in changing pilots, and no boat but the pilots' is at hand. I mention these little matters as they may be interesting to voyagers taking this route. It appears, by the way, that the Canal pilots do not relieve the captain from responsibility for the navigation of the vessel. They merely give him the benefit of their information.

Ismailia keeps up its reputation for prettiness and cleanliness, but is as dull as a Scotch Sunday. M. de Lesseps' house was shut up when we passed it, and there seemed little reason why all Ismailia shouldn't be. Raised within two months at a spot where there had been only workmen's huts, and which belonged but a few years ago, with Lake Timsah itself, to the trackless desert, it became for the occasion of the opening of the Canal a thing of beauty, but not a joy for ever. There is a pretty garden belonging to the Canal Company, well kept up, though not much frequented. At the railway station we renewed our acquaintance with the strange mélange of Egyptian life. The shoeblacks were the first we had seen for years; the railway porters addressed us in English, French, Italian, and Arabic; and the change we got passed all comprehension.

From Ismailia to Cairo we went in between 6 and 7 hours, changing carriages and staying for about half an hour at Zagazig, where there is a large station and a good refreshment room. Except the high desert land on the north side between Ismailia and Zagazig, the country we passed through seemed very fertile. Canals and conduits abound, and the sails of native boats are seen gliding over the country in all directions.

Cairo has been vastly improved within a few years. You no longer need lanterns at night, for the main streets are lighted with gas. Many fine new buildings are to be seen, and the construction of roads in the outskirts of the city has been going on rapidly. The Ezbekieh, where the chief hotels are, is completely transformed. Instead of a little-cared-for park there is now a charming and spacious public garden, with a fine sheet of water in the centre, and a pretty grotto at one corner. In the evening it is a fashionable and attractive promenade, and while listening to one of the bands (for there are two) you may have a seat and a glass of beer or wine. At one side there is a proscenium for a "café chantant." The entertainment here, which is *al fresco*, and goes on from 9 till midnight, is worth spending an hour at. There is no other place of amusement at present open in Cairo. It isn't the season, and there are very few strangers in the city. Hotel keepers, shopmen, dragomans, and Bedouins alike complain Particularly at this time of the year are the new arrangements, by which overland passengers go by other routes, felt to tell on the prosperity of Cairo. But as a winter resort for Europeans the place is becoming more and more popular, and in that season the hotels I believe have enough to do. There is a new hotel of enormous size at the Ezbekieh, belonging to the "Oriental Company." This building is 400 feet in length, and handsome in appearance. The Hotel d'Orient, at which we have stayed, is well situated and admirably managed. Cost per day, 15 francs.

As seen from the Citadel, Cairo is not a pretty city. Its utter want of plan, and the curious minarets rising on every hand, suggest ideas of chaos and pepper boxes. But the general view from that high standpoint is splendid. A visit to the mosque at the Citadel is a rare treat. One could stand for an hour admiring the exquisite architecture and decoration of its marble walls and domes. At the Citadel there is a palace also, but the stranger may spare himself the trouble and backsheesh of entering it as there is nothing worth seeing. The gardens and kiosk of Shoubra, on the other side of the city, are a delightful spot. It is necessary now to get an order of admission from one's consul. The dragoman manages this. Old Cairo is a collection of dirty bazaars which it is desirable to steer clear of. But there is a curious old Coptist church at it which is worth a visit. The bazaars in the new city are famous. And I suppose it would be impossible to find in one place a greater assortment of the peoples of the earth. The dress of the Egyptian women is the ugliest I have seen. It suits hags, but when there's a pretty face or figure it's a pity to lose it in that shapeless mass of drapery. I wonder if there are any European women walking about in Egyptian costume. Our dragoman, pointing to a couple of well-dressed ladies, told us in a tone which was intended for a whisper that they were Egyptians—a piece of information, by the way, we did not stand in need of. With a faultless English accent and a pretty voice one of them replied—"We're not Egyptians though; you're mistaken." Hassan sought to account for the phenomenon by suggesting that they were probably "dancing girls" who had picked up a little English in the course of business. But I have my doubts about it.

It appears to be quite the rule for Europeans in this country who have dealings with the natives to wear the tarboosh (or fez.) And having assumed it, it is the etiquette not to uncover the head when in company. Even at *tables d'hôte* they wear it, and it is often puzzling to distinguish the Europeans from the numerous Levantines and other Orientals who dress similarly. As it seems there are business advantages we cannot complain of the custom, but at first it strikes the stranger as absurd, and sometimes rude.

A visit to the Pyramids is something to remember for a lifetime. I am glad to say that a good carriage road, lined with young trees, has been made to the very foot of the Great Pyramid. The excursion has thus been made easy and pleasant. As to the ascent of the Pyramid, I have no desire to repeat it—unless some ingenious American devises a "lift." The average height of the stones, or steps, seemed to be little short of three feet, and going up a stair of that sort to a height 125 feet greater than that of St. Paul's seemed to me, as I was doing it, the greatest act of madness which the sight-seeing species of the human race could be guilty of. It needed a quarter of an hour when I reached the top, to get into a fit state to look around me. Then, of course, I found there was some sense in the madness. An endless desert on one hand, a rich country on the other, the city of Cairo and the Nile not far off, two or three pyramids near you, and others in the distance, make up a view as grand as it is unique. We didn't inscribe our names on the Pyramid, but I may mention for the information of travellers who have gone before us that a few of their names were erased by the Arabs to make room for ours. Think of this, Brown, Jones, and Robinson, and realise that the immortality of a Cheops is not for you! There is one inscription the Arabs respect. It is "Æ. P., of W., Mar. 1862-69." The descent is easier than the ascent, but still bad enough. When that was over I thought my trials were past, but there was still the torture of the passage to the interior of the Pyramid to undergo. In the large chamber, however, we managed to get up a little sentiment, and sang two verses from that popular expression of patriotism and inebriety, "Auld Lang Syne," for the entertainment of a select company of Arab rogues and the shades of forty centuries. The echo was worth hearing. I may add that the Arabs were quite well acquainted with the song. Of these fellows I am glad to say that we found them not so bad as they have been painted. It was rare fun listening to their chatter. The arrangement for payment is very simple. There is no occasion to give a farthing more than the fixed sum of four shillings for each person, which the sheik receives, and from which he pays the three men whom he tells off for you. Two of the men pull you up by the hand, while the other does duty behind. They are most solicitous for your comfort. Pulling and pushing they address you somewhat as follows :—"How you feel now? Right? [*i. e.*, 'tired.'] Then take rest. Drink little water—very good for stomach. You satisfy? Then I

A MISSING WILL.

YESTERDAY at the High Court, before the Hon. the Chief Justice, Mr. Farran, instructed by Messrs. Manisty and Fletcher, on behalf of the representatives of the late Nansey Parpia, a Khoja merchant, applied for a probate to be granted to the widow of the testator on a certified copy of the will.

Mr. Farran said the will was made on the 16th March 1870, and was attested by Mr. Fraser Hore and Nana Bhicajee, a clerk of Messrs. Manisty and Fletcher. The testator died in June 1870, and on the 15th July an application was made by the widow for a probate. The will was produced and lodged in the Ecclesiastical Registrar's office. It had been mislaid in that office, but, fortunately for his client, a copy had been made, and was certified as a correct copy by two of the clerks of the Ecclesiastical Registrar. The learned counsel, therefore, asked that a probate be granted on the certified copy until the original was found. The Chief Justice granted the application.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

Ninth Sunday after Trinity, 6th August 1871.

ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 A.M.—1st celebration of Holy Communion.
11 A.M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon with second celebration of Holy Communion. Hymn 295.
4-45 P.M.—Catechising.
5-30 P.M.—Litany.
6 P.M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 200, 150, and 145.

The offertories will be devoted as usual.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, COLABA.

7 A.M.—Holy Communion (celebration.)
11 A.M.—Litany, Holy Communion, and Sermon. Hymns 20 and 71.
6 P.M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 210, 307, and 279.

The offertories to be devoted as usual.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

7 A.M.—Holy Communion (celebration.)
11 A.M.—Morning Prayer with Litany, and Sermon. Hymns 148 and 21.
6 P.M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon. Hymns 180, 308, and 168.

There will be an offertory at the evening service for the poor of the district and other church purposes.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, SONAPORE.

7 A.M.—Celebration of Holy Communion.
7-45 A.M.—Matins and Sermon. Hymns 150 (Rock of Ages), and 170 (Thy Will be done.)
6 P.M.—Evening and Sermon. Hymns 202 (O wondrous Type), 196 (Jesus shall reign where'er the Sun), and 168 (To the Name of our Salvation.)

Collections for church expenses and the poor.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, APOLLO STREET, FORT. [CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.]

11 A.M.—Morning Service.
Psalm 68, 18 (Tune, Colchester—72.)
Paraphrase 21 (Tune, Tiverton—97.)
Hymn 57, (Tune, Southwell—333.)
Anthem—"Come unto Him."
6 P.M.—Evening Service.
Hymn 44, (Tune, Erfurt—233.)
Paraphrase 66, (Tune St. Asaph—37.)
Hymn 89, (Tune, Eventide—298.)
Anthem—Nunc Dimittis. "Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace."

Collections for church expenses.

POONA MUNICIPALITY.

PROPOSAL TO APPOINT A PAID COMMISSIONER.

THE *Poona Observer* of Thursday says:—"We understand that on Saturday next a special general meeting will be held at the city Municipality, and at this meeting we hear a question will be mooted to appoint a paid Commissioner for the city of Poona. Such appointment is indispensably necessary for the daily increase of the city of Poona, without such appointment this large city could not be improved. We do not see any disparagement to the present respectable body of this institution, but the work that is requisite could not be speedily carried out with the requisite efficiency, and we hope that at this special general meeting the members will determine and resolve upon appointing a paid Commissioner. Of course the salary would be some object, but at the same time should they desire to improve the old Peshwa's city, it requires a paid person to carry out the improvements, whose sole duty would be to look after such improvements. Now as to the appointment of a qualified person as a Commissioner for the city there could not be a better selection than Mr. Richardson, the city magistrate, under the sanction of Government, who, we have no doubt, is well qualified for the appointment, as he has been long enough in that department and has caused several improvements, and who is a very painstaking person. His abilities in the municipal improvements in the city of Satara have been marked by Government with great approbation. We shall revert to the subject of the municipality in a future issue."

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

TUESDAY, 18TH JULY.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice MELVILL and the Hon. Mr. Justice KEMBALL.)

AN IMPORTANT DECISION UNDER THE LIMITATION ACT.

GOPAL GOVIND KOOKED, special appellant (original defendant) *vs.* Ganeshdas Valad Tejmal Marwadi, special respondent (original plaintiff.)

This was a special appeal from the decision of the District Judge at Ahmednuggur passed in a miscellaneous appeal preferred by the special respondent against the order of the First Class Subordinate Judge at Ahmednuggur, who rejected the respondent's application for the execution of a decree obtained by him in 1860, holding the execution barred by the Law of Limitation.

The facts of the case are given in the judgment of the District Judge:—The appellant's (special respondent's) decree was obtained on the 24th December 1860; but the decree holder made on the 17th August 1867 an application for its enforcement, and the decree was partly enforced in pursuance of that application. The point at issue now were whether the application of the 17th August 1867 was time-barred or not, it might be held time-barred; but that application has been enforced by a competent Court and cannot now be held to have been time-barred. It must, on the contrary, be held to have been a legal proceeding taken by the decree-holder to enforce his decree. The present application was made within three years from the date of the previous application, and is not time-barred. I reverse the Subordinate Judge's order, overruling the objection taken by him.

Mr. Ghanashan Nilkanth Nadkarni, for the special appellant, argued the order of the District Judge was opposed to law, inasmuch as the execution of the decree is barred under section 20 of Act XIV. of 1859. The terms of that section are:—"No process of execution shall issue from any Court not established by Royal Charter to enforce any judgment, decree, or order of such Court, unless some proceeding shall have been taken to enforce such judgment, decree, or order, to keep the same in force within three years next preceding the application for such execution." In the present case, no such proceeding as is contemplated in this section was taken by the special respondent to keep the decree of 1860 in force. The application made by him in 1867 was on the face barred, and consequently any proceedings taken on that application were illegal and contrary to the terms of the section under consideration. That section makes it imperative on Civil Courts not to enforce such time-barred decrees. No amount of waiver or acquiescence on the part of the special appellant could render legal the proceedings taken on the respondent's application of 1867, which the Legislature pronounced to be illegal. In support of this argument, the authorities quoted were a Full Bench ruling of the Calcutta High Court, reported at page 8 of the W. Weekly Reporter, and also a decision of the same High Court in VI. Weekly Reporter, miscellaneous rulings, page 118.

The High Court gave the following decision:—It appears that execution of the decree was barred in 1867, and the right to execute it cannot be revived by reason of the illegal proceedings which were taken in 1867, either in consequence of the inadvertence of the Court, or the absence of opposition on the part of the judgment debtor. The Court concur in the view expressed by the Full Bench of the Calcutta High Court in Bissoshur Mullick *vs.* Maharaja Mahatebchandra Bahadoor (10 W. R., F. B. Rulings, 8.) The order of the lower Court is reversed with costs.

HIGH COURT.—5TH AUGUST.

(Before the Hon. Sir CHARLES SARGENT.)

SUITS FOR FURTHER HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL.

LONG CAUSES.

603-70 C Tyabjee—Anundrao Vinayeck *vs* Baljee Krishtnath—Pestonjee Dinshaw.—Part heard.
606-69 Mr. Judge—Hajee Salmon Hajee Sojun and others *vs* Hajee Moosa Hajee Sojun and others—Acland, Prentis and Bishop.—Part heard.
627-71 In person—Dhanjeebhoy Aspandiarjee *vs* The Acting Commissioner of Customs—No appearance.
634-70 Shapoorjee and Th-kurdas—Hajee Salay Mahomed Hajee *vs* Hajee Adam Hajee and others—Dallas and Lynch.
637-70 Macfarlane and Skipsey—Purshotum Mowjee *vs* Treecumjee Curramsee—Dallas and Lynch.
629-70 Macfarlane and Skipsey—Hajee Maria Hajee and others *vs* Venoobai, widow—Janardhun Gopal.

POSTPONED SUITS.

81-70 Manisty and Fletcher—Khullickbhai Khuifanbhoy *vs* Gangbai, widow, and others—Macfarlane and Scott.
583-69 Rimington, Hore and Langley—Vishnoocundas Hurrybhoy *vs* Krustnarao Wassoodew—Manisty and Fletcher.
370-70 Janardhun Gopal—Rahimbhoy Dhurumsey and others *vs* Rahimbhoy Hubibhoy and another—Dallas and Lynch.
484-70 Rimington, Hore and Langley—Rahimbhoy Habibhoy and others *vs* Rahimbhoy Dhurumsey—Janardhun Gopal.
588-70 Rimington, Hore and Langley—Ahmedbhoy Habibbhoy *vs* Rahimbhoy Dhurrumsey—Janardhun Gopal.
585-70 Hearn, Cleveland and Peil—Peter Ewart and others *vs* Moorajee Janundjee and others—Acland, Prentis and Bishop.

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice BAYLEY.)

FOR JUDGMENT.

595-69 C. Tyabjee—Rabia Beebee *vs* Shaik Ali Vullud and another—Manisty and Fletcher.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL.

LONG CAUSES.

330-70 Dallas and Lynch—Manockbai *vs* Pestonjee Hormusjee and another—Acland, Prentis and Bishop.
489-70 Mr. Prescot and Wilson—Horgowan Khooshali *vs* Vyekorebai—C Tyabjee.
320-70 Macfarlane and Skipsey—Framjee Cowasjee *vs* Dhunjeebhoy Jamsetjee and others—C Tyabjee.
315-70 Mr. Hope—Fatmabeebee *vs* Sha Vundravundas Vizlal—G J Mody.
491-70 S. Morojee—Bai Parvuttee *vs* Moorar Poonja—C Tyabjee.
493-70 Mr. Judge—Mirza Mahomed Saleh Khan *vs* Moorajee Kasondas—Manisty and Fletcher.
497-70 Mr E. Elliott—Abia Ossman *vs* F Khengelhoefer—No appearance.
501-70 Macfarlane and Skipsey—Narron Succaram *vs* Jetha Vullal—Rimington, Hore and Langley.
521-70 Rimington, Hore and Langley—William Nicol and Co. *vs* Narayen Bassha Sengy and another—Dallas and Lynch.
523-70 Hearn, Cleveland and Peil—William Harbord and others *vs* Doongersey Gopejee—Macfarlane and Skipsey.

A SUIT FOR A JUDICIAL SEPARATION.

AGNES CHARLOTTE BROWN *v.* THOMAS HENRY BROWN.

THIS was a suit for a judicial separation on the grounds of cruelty and desertion for two years without reasonable excuse. A report of the case appeared in the *Bombay Gazette* of the 31st July. Mr. Macpherson, instructed by Messrs. Manisty and Fletcher, appeared for the petitioner. The respondent appeared in person.

SIR CHARLES SARGENT delivered judgment in the case on Thursday. His Lordship said—This is a petition under the Indian Divorce Act, by which the petitioner prays for a judicial separation from her husband on the grounds of cruelty and desertion. The respondent appeared in person, and denied the truth of both charges; and the following issues were accordingly framed:—first, whether the respondent has been guilty of cruelty; second, whether the respondent has deserted the petitioner without reasonable excuse for two years; and third, whether the petitioner is entitled to the relief prayed for or any part thereof. The parties last resided together in Bombay, and this Court is therefore, by section 3 of the Act, competent to entertain the petition; and as the petitioner professes the Christian religion, and was residing in India at the time of presenting her petition, it is by section 2 within the competency of this Court to grant her the relief prayed. And further, by section 22, it is provided that a husband or wife may have a decree of judicial separation on the ground of cruelty or desertion without reasonable excuse for two years. The parties were married at Poona on the 11th August 1864, and between that time and June 1868, when the respondent left for England, they lived together successively at Callian, Mazagon, and Colaba. The vice of drunkenness is stated by the petitioner to have shown itself in her husband very soon after their marriage, and to have continued up to the time of his leaving her; and this was but very faintly attempted to be denied by the respondent himself. He could only say that "he was not always drunk, and that what he drank was at home." Habitual drunkenness, however, is not of itself a ground for judicial separation. Lord Penzance says, in the case of Brown *v.* Brown, 1 Law Reports (P. and D.)—"It is needless to recount the details of his conduct, for, though very distressing to the petitioner, and probably the cause of an illness with which she was smitten in April 1863, there were no traces of actual violence, and no threats of that character such as to constitute legal cruelty; and the Court is not permitted to indulge its feelings at the expense of unsettling the law or to break with the decided cases, to sympathise with the petitioner's misfortunes. A decree which should establish habitual drunkenness to be of itself ground for judicial separation would be likely to have a very wide application." The present case, however, is not one simply of a woman compelled to live with a drunkard whose habits disgust her, and subject her to innumerable petty annoyances and distress of mind. The petitioner states several cases, if not of actual violence, at least of acts accompanied by threats which caused constant apprehension for her personal safety. (His Lordship here read over the evidence given by the petitioner at the hearing, already published in our columns.) She was cross-examined by her husband, not in any way with reference to these acts of cruelty alleged to have been committed, but chiefly with respect to her own conduct; and he himself stated as evidence, whilst admitting he was given to drink, that he was driven to it by her misconduct. However, he has given no evidence whatever in support of that assertion, nor did any of the circumstances to which he called her attention bear it out; nor is there anything throughout the whole of the evidence or the correspondence which could lead to the least suspicion of any such improper conduct on her part. Now Lord Stowell's judgment in Evans *v.* Evans (1 Consist. R.) is generally referred to as the great authority on the question of legal cruelty. He says—"The causes which warrant separation must be grave and weighty, and such as show an absolute impossibility that the duties of the married life can be discharged. In a state of personal danger no duties can be discharged, for the duties of self-preservation must take place before the duties of marriage. . . . . What merely wounds the mental feelings is in few cases to be admitted, where it is not accompanied with bodily injury, either actual or menaced. Mere austerity of temper, petulance of manners, rudeness of language, a want of civil attention and accommodation, even occasional sallies of passion, if they do not threaten bodily harm, do not amount to legal cruelty; they are high matrimonial offences in the marriage state undoubtedly, not innocent surely in any state of life, but still they are not that cruelty against which the law can relieve. Under such misconduct of either of the parties, for it may exist on one side as well as on the other, the suffering party must bear in some degree the consequences of the infelicitous connection, must submit due by direct resistance or by prudent conciliation; and if this cannot be done, both must suffer in silence. . . . In the older cases of this sort, which I have had an opportunity of looking into, I have observed that the danger of life, limb, or health, is usually inserted as the ground upon which the Court has proceeded to a separation. The Court has never been driven off this ground; it has always been jealous of the inconvenience of departing from it, and I have heard no one case cited in which the Court has granted a divorce without proof given of a reasonable apprehension of bodily hurt. I say an apprehension, because I am assured the Court is not to wait till the hurt is actually done; but the apprehension must be reasonable; it must not be an apprehension arising merely from an exquisite and diseased sensibility of mind." And Sir Cresswell Cresswell, in the case of Tomkins *vs.* Tomkins reported in 1 Swabey and Tristram, after reading the above passage to the jury, directed them "on a consideration of the evidence, they had heard, to determine whether the husband had so treated his wife and so manifested his feelings towards her as to have inflicted bodily injury, to have caused reasonable apprehension of bodily suffering, or to have injury done to her health." Applying this definition of legal cruelty to the evidence in the present case, I have no hesitation in saying that the petitioner has established a charge of cruelty against the respondent. The respondent, however, said that whatsoever he might have done had been forgiven, or, in his own words, that they had made it all up before he left for England. Now, it is to be remembered that these acts extended over a period of nearly four years, that they caused no interruption in the cohabitation of the petitioner with her husband, and that a further period of three years has elapsed since the last alleged act of cruelty. It has been said that a wife's condonation of cruelty will not lightly be presumed from a continuance of cohabitation after one or more of several acts of cruelty (Curtis *v.* Curtis, 27 L. J.) but coupled as it is here with long forbearance in taking present proceedings against her husband, I should have had great difficulty, even if there had been no direct evidence, in not coming to the conclusion that the cruelty had been condoned by the petitioner. The respondent, however, of the petitioner's letters and the letters she wrote to the respondent, distinctly corroborate this statement. In answer to the respondent's questions in cross-examination, she says—"I cannot say we parted on the best terms when you left for England. We kissed and said 'Good bye.' You asked me not to be rash and forgive you for all you had done. I could not answer you, I could not speak with emotion, and you were gone next minute." This took place on the 30th June 1868, and on the 21st July we find the petitioner writing to the respondent, after receiving a letter from him, in the following terms: "My ever dear Harry,—Yesterday Mr. Field sent me a letter from you, and oh, how glad I was to receive it;" and further on, "Fond memory will bring back to mind the happy days you have spent with your Indian wife, especially in Callian. Oh, Harry, my dear Harry, with all your faults I love you still, and may we yet be more so again." The letter concludes with "Ever, my own dear Harry, your true and faithful AGNES. Think of me, dearest." And again in another letter, written on the 27th July, she concludes thus—"Adieu, dear one, God bless you and change you to become a sober man; and with my fondest love and warmest kisses from your lonely, but, my dear Harry, your loving pet, AGNES." The letters written to the respondent, and put in by him, go down to August 1870, and all breathe the same deep affection for the respondent, though lamenting his habit of drinking, and expressing hopes that he will reform for the sake of his wife and children; but I have been unable to find in them a single reproach on account of any ill-treatment of her on his part. It is clear to me that, whatever cause of complaint the petitioner may have had against her husband, all was forgiven, if not before, at least when they parted in June 1868, and that the evidence establishes complete condonation on her part of his alleged cruelty. I pass to the charge of desertion. In section 3, clause 9 of the Act, it is said that desertion implies abandonment against the wish of the person charging it. Now it is clear from the petitioner's own evidence, and from the tone of her letters written immediately after his leaving, that he left her in June 1868 with her entire consent. She says "he went away promising he would return in six months at most, because he was in very bad health and involved in debt. I consented to his going for six months, that he might return in health and be able to support me and his children." It is plain, therefore, that there was no desertion when they separated in June 1868, but it is also clear from the petitioner's letters down to August 1870, when all correspondence between them ceased, that she consented to his remaining away until he could get some employment. In not one of them does she reproach him for not returning, although frequently expressing her regret at his not being successful in obtaining employment, and at her suggestion that he returned to India by way of Calcutta. During the whole of this time, the parties were in constant and most affectionate correspondence, and although it is true the respondent left her with but Rs. 400 or Rs. 500, and did not supply her with any funds during his absence, it is admitted by her that she gave him to understand she was living with her mother, and was not without assistance from other friends. And so late as May 1870, we find the petitioner writing to her husband at Calcutta—"Do not concern yourself about finding a home for me yet, for I am living quietly and respectably here, and you will feel lighter to remain without me until you can clearly see what is in the future and your prospects of doing well." It is plain, therefore, that the separation, which certainly was not desertion in its inception, never became so afterwards, at least down to August 1870, when, it is said, the respondent ceased to correspond with his wife. It is not suggested that the petitioner ever withdrew the assent she gave to his remaining absent by the letter of May 1870; and upon such evidence as there is before the Court, I should find it impossible to hold that the respondent's absence since August 1870 amounts to abandonment without the consent of the petitioner and without reasonable excuse. The question, however, is not one necessary to decide, as two years have not elapsed since August 1870, and the respondent is now here ready to receive his wife as shown by his letters to her since his return to Bombay. Nor indeed, I may add, could his absence since August 1870, even if it amounted to desertion, be pleaded as a renewal of the cruelty, which had, as I have shown, been already fully condoned. (See Hart *v.* Hart, 2 Sp. and Ad.) I find, therefore, the first issue for the petitioner, and the second and third for the respondent, and direct that the petition be dismissed.

Mr. Macpherson (the petitioner's counsel) then applied for costs, on the principle adopted in the Ecclesiastical Court at home, on the ground that what property there might be is vested in the husband.

His Lordship took time to consider his decision as to costs.

Yesterday His Lordship remarked that the application for costs should have been made in Chambers before the hearing of the suit, when the husband might have been directed to give security for them. If the wife failed in her petition, the husband would then have been bound to pay the costs. That was the ruling in Keats *v.* Keats and Montezuma (1 Swabey and Tristram.) In this case, therefore, no order was made as to costs.

NEWS LETTER.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

NEEMUCH, July 29.

"THIS favourite station," as the Nusseerabad correspondent of the *Times of India*, in a spirit of "bitter sarkazzum" styled the penal settlement in which he was doing his time, does not seem to be represented in your columns; and certainly the Neemuch news is not, as a rule, of so thrillingly sensational a character as to be of much interest to that mysterious personage "the general reader:" still, to remind the World that there is such a place in existence—whether or no that is a matter for congratulation, I leave an open question—I send you a brief chronicle of certain manly sports which have lately come off here, which may perhaps be found not uninteresting to former, and the friends and admirers of present residents in "Our Station."

I enclose my card, and remain—

SPIDER.

NEEMUCH, 15TH JUNE.

OFFICERS *vs.* NON-COM. OFFICERS AND MEN.

OFFICERS.

1st Innings.

Capt. Hobson	...	... b England	... 8
Lieut. Jones, 59th Regiment.		St. Chamberlain, Smith..	9
Col. Nuttall, 22nd Regt.	...	run out	... 20
Ensign Oakeley, 8th King's..		b Smith	... 8
Lieut. Cope, 8th King's	...	b Gregory	... 25
Lieut. Hogg, 3rd Light Cav...		b Gregory	... 0
H. K. Greene, Esq.	...	b Smith	... 0
Ensign Lucas, 59th Regt.	...	b Gregory	... 0
Ensign Kelly, 8th King's	...	not out	... 2
Lieut. Wetherall, 22nd Regt..		b Campbell, Smith	... 11
Capt. Nuthall	...	run out	... 0
		Extras	.. 2
		Total	... 85

2nd Innings.

Capt. Hobson	...	ct and b Gregory	... 3
Lieut. Jones, 59th Regiment..		ct Kirk, Smith	... 5
Col. Nuttall, 22nd Regt.	...	b Smith	... 5
Ensign Oakeley, 8th King's..		ct and b Chamberlain	... 24
Lieut. Cope, 8th King's	...	run out	... 2
Lieut. Hogg, 3rd Light Cav..		run out	... 1
H. K. Greene, Esq.	...	l b w Gregory	... 2
Ensign Lucas, 59th Regt.	...	b Gregory	... 0
Ensign Kelly, 8th King's	...	not out	... 0
Lieut. Wetherall, 22nd Regt..		b Chamberlain	... 8
Capt. Nuthall	...	ct Payne, Gregory	... 26
		Extras	... 4
		Total	.. 80

MEN.

1st Innings.

Chamberlain	...	b Lieut. Jones	... 10
Gregory	...	Do.	... 6
Smith	...	run out	... 0
Kirke	...	ct Lucas, Lieut. Jones	... 3
Murnane	...	b Lieut. Cope	... 8
Sullivan	...	Do.	... 0
Campbell	...	b Lieut. Jones	... 7
Mathews	...	not out	... 14
Dear	...	b Lieut. Jones	... 4
Payne	...	ct Col. Nuttall, Lt. Jones	0
England	...	run out	... 0
		Extras	... 7
		Total	... 51

2nd Innings.

Chamberlain	...	ct Cope, Lucas	... 14
Gregory	...	b Jones	... 0
Smith	...	b Jones	... 3
Kirke	...	b Jones	... 1
Murnane	...	b Cope	... 2
Sullivan	...	b Lucas	... 8
Campbell	...	ct Lucas, Jones	... 24
Mathews	...	b Lucas	... 0
Dear	...	not out	... 10
Payne	...	b Lucas	... 10
England	...	run out	... 2
		Extras	... 7
		Total	... 83

Remarks.—Officers won by 31 runs.

22ND JUNE.

DETACHMENT 8TH KING'S *vs.* THE STATION.

THE STATION.

1st Innings.

Captain Nuthall	...	b Smith	... 6
Ensign Lucas, 59th Regt.		hit wicket, Smith	... 7
Kirke	...	b Cope	... 7
Lieut. Hogg, 3rd Lt. Cav.		ct Chamberlain, Smith...	7
Lieut. Jones, 59th Regt.		b Smith	... 3
Dr. Greene	...	c and b Chamberlain	... 15
Sullivan	...	ct. McKintosh, Smith	... 4
Colonel Nuttall	...	b Cope	... 4
Gregory	...	run out	... 2
England	...	not out	... 5
Lieut. Wetherall	...	b Smith	... 0
		Extras...	... 10
		Total	... 58

2nd Innings.

Captain Nuthall	...	b Smith	... 10
Ensign Lucas, 59th	...	run out	... 13
Kirke	...	b Chamberlain	... 36
Lieut. Hogg, 3rd Lt. Cav.		b Cope	... 28
Lieut. Jones, 59th Regt.		not out	... 5
Dr. Greene	...	l b w Cope	... 14
Sullivan	...	hit wicket, Smith	... 13
Col. Nuttall	...	b Cope	... 7
Gregory	...	b Smith	... 7
England	...	b Chamberlain	... 4
Lieut. Wetherall	...	ct and b Smith	... 4
		Extras...	... 19
		Total	...143

DETACHMENT 8TH KING'S REGIMENT.

1st Innings.

Woods	...	b Hogg	... 1
Lynch	...	l b w Hogg	... 6
Payne	...	b Crawford	... 6
Chamberlain	...	b Crawford	... 13
Ensign Oakeley	...	ct l b Crawford	... 29
Smith	...	ct Greene, Hogg...	... 31
Remington	...	ct Hogg, Crawford	... 0
Regan	...	ct Campbell, Hogg	... 6
McIntosh	...	not out	... 5
Mullen	...	ct Crawford, Hogg	... 2
Bridget	...	b Crawford	... 3
		Extras	... 7
		Total	... 103

2nd Innings.

Woods	...	ct Greene, Hogg	... 1
Lynch	...	b Crawford	... 1
Payne	...	ct Gregory, Hogg	... 6
Chamberlain	...	ct Campbell, Hogg	... 6
Ensign Oakeley	...	ct Kirk, Hogg	... 12
Smith	...	not out	... 11
Remington	...	b Crawford	... 6
Regan	...	ct Nuttall, Crawford	... 0
McIntosh	...	b Hogg	... 0
Mullen	...	stumped Crawford, Hogg..	0
Bridget	...	b Hogg	... 0
		Extras	... 1
		Total	... 47

THE STATION (RETURN).

1st Innings.

England	...	ct Payne, Chamberlain...	4
Lieut. Hogg	...	ct Bridget, Smith	... 4
Crawford	...	ct Payne, Chamberlain...	8
Gregory	...	ct Payne, Chamberlain...	20
Col. Nuttall, 22nd Regt.		ct Remington, Payne	... 26
Ensign Oakeley, 8th King's..		b Chamberlain	... 6
Sergt. Major Crawford		b Gregory	... 6
Campbell	...	b Hogg	... 4
Sullivan	...	ct Payne, Hogg	... 1
Capt. Adam, 22nd Regt.		b Hogg	... 1
Corpl. Mathews	...	b Gregory	... 3
Corpl. Haig	...	ct Gregory, Hogg	... 3
		Extras	... 3
		Total	... 40

2nd Innings.

Murnane	...	b Hogg	... 17
England	...	not out	... 3
Chamberlain	...	l b w Gregory	... 9
Col. Nuttall, 22nd Regt.		b Hogg	... 22
Ensign Oakeley, 8th King's..		not out	... 63
Sergt. Major Crawford		b Gregory	... 0
Campbell	...	ct Gregory, Hogg	... 3
Sullivan	...	b Gregory	... 0
Capt. Adam, 22nd Regt.		ct and b Gregory	... 3
Corpl. Mathews	...	b Gregory	... 3
Corpl. Haig	...	b Gregory	... 1
		Extras	... 4
		Total	...128

Those with an (a) in their name won by one wicket.

THE STATION.

1st Innings.

Gregory	...	ct Mathews, Crawford	... 22
Kirke	...	b Crawford	... 15
Woods	...	b Crawford	... 0
Lieut. Hogg	...	b England	... 8
Lieut. Cope, 8th King's		b Crawford	... 0
Capt. Ritchie, R.A.	...	b Crawford	... 6
Stevens	...	b England	... 23
Budd	...	ct Sullivan, England	... 0
Mitchell	...	stpd Oakeley, Crawford..	0
McIntosh	...	b Crawford	... 0
Hinton	...	ct and b Crawford	... 1
		Extras...	... 2
		Total	... 77

2nd Innings.

Gregory	...	b Crawford	... 14
Kirke	...	l b w Crawford	... 5
Woods	...	ct Col. Nuttall, Crawford.	
Lieut. Hogg	...	b England	... 20
Lieut. Cope, 8th King's		not out	... 14
Capt. Ritchie, R.A.		l b w Crawford	... 3
Stevens	...	b Crawford	... 13
Budd	...	b Crawford	... 6
Mitchell	...	stpd Oakeley, Crawford...	3
McIntosh	...	b Crawford	... 1
Hinton	...	b England	... 3
		Extras...	... 6
		Total	... 89

1ST JULY.

RETURN BETWEEN THE STATION AND DETACHMENT 8TH KING'S REGIMENT.

DETACHMENT 8TH KING'S REGIMENT.

1st Innings.

Woods	...	b Hogg	... 1
Lynch	...	l b w Hogg	... 6
Payne	...	b Crawford	... 6
Chamberlain	...	b Crawford	... 13
Ensign Oakeley	...	ct l b Crawford	... 29
Smith	...	ct Greene, Hogg	... 31
Remington	...	ct Hogg, Crawford	... 0
Regan	...	ct Campbell, Hogg	... 6
McIntosh	...	not out	... 5
Mullen	...	ct Crawford, Hogg	... 2
Bridget	...	b Crawford	... 3
		Extras	... 7
		Total	... 103

2nd Innings.

Woods	...	ct Greene, Hogg	... 1
Lynch	...	b Crawford	... 1
Payne	...	ct Gregory, Hogg	... 6
Chamberlain	...	ct Campbell, Hogg	... 6
Ensign Oakeley	...	ct Kirk, Hogg	... 12
Smith	...	not out	... 11
Remington	...	b Crawford	... 6
Regan	...	ct Nuttall, Crawford	... 0
McIntosh	...	b Hogg	... 0
Mullen	...	stumped Crawford, Hogg..	0
Bridget	...	b Hogg	... 0
		Extras	... 1
		Total	... 47

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Col. Nuttall, 22nd Regt.		ct Remington, Payne	... 26
Ensign Oakeley, 8th King's..		b Chamberlain	... 6
Sergt. Major Crawford		b Gregory	... 6
Campbell	...	b Hogg	... 4
Sullivan	...	ct Payne, Hogg	... 1
Capt. Adam, 22nd Regt.		b Hogg	... 1
Corpl. Mathews	...	b Gregory	... 3
Corpl. Haig	...	ct Gregory, Hogg	... 3
		Extras	... 3
		Total	... 40

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		Extras...	... 6
		Total	... 89

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RETURN BETWEEN THE STATION AND DETACHMENT 8TH KING'S REGIMENT.

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Lynch	...	l b w Hogg	... 6
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Ensign Oakeley	...	ct l b Crawford	... 29
Smith	...	ct Greene, Hogg	... 31
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Remington	...	b Crawford	...

THE ARMY REGULATION BILL,

THE second reading of the Army Regulation Bill was moved in the House of Lords on 14th July by Lord Northbrook in a lengthy speech. His Lordship was followed by the Duke of Richmond, who, as leader of the Opposition, moved

"That this House is unwilling to assent to a second reading of this bill until it has had laid before it, either by Her Majesty's Government or through the medium of an inquiry and report of a Royal Commission, a complete and comprehensive scheme for the first appointment, promotion, and retirement of officers; for the amalgamation of the regular and auxiliary land forces, and for securing the other changes necessary to place the military system of the country on a sound and efficient basis."

After Viscount Monk had spoken in favour of the bill, and the Earl of Dalhousie against it,

Lord Sandhurst said—In rising to address your lordships after the noble earl, I feel that I stand at a great disadvantage. The noble earl addresses your lordships with all the influence which attends a long and successful career in Parliament, and which belongs to one who administered the office of Secretary of State for War in times of difficulty and danger with the greatest success. My lords, I have no such advantages. I stand before you on the merits of the question raised by my noble friend the Under-Secretary, and so confident am I in the cause which I advocate that I do not fear to meet the noble earl or those who have addressed this House before him in the same sense. The noble earl alluded to the Commission of 1856 and 1857, which was presided over by the noble duke. I have been a careful student of the proceedings of that Commission, and I read with the greatest attention possible the evidence given by the noble earl. I am not able to taunt the noble earl with being *laudator temporis acti*—with being one who stands still and neglects the progress of the present day. On the contrary, I find by the evidence that in those days he was one of the most ardent and practical military reformers that this country has produced. I think I am justified in saying that, because many of the reforms suggested by the Royal Commission had the fullest approval of the noble earl. In the first place, he condemned the system of exchanges as leading to great mischief and jobbery. (Hear.) He was in favour of limiting the terms of command of regiments. (The Earl of Dalhousie—"Foreign command.") Well, the Royal Commission adopted those recommendations and some additional ones which, in their view, led up to the principle of selection. (Hear, hear.) I will, for the present, leave this part of the subject and address myself to the remarks of the noble duke opposite. The noble duke seemed to say that, notwithstanding the very careful details furnished by the noble lord the Under-Secretary, no scheme had been submitted to the House or the country in which noble lords can have any confidence. Now, I venture to say that it would be impossible for any one to give in greater detail, with more exactness or decision, any scheme than my noble friend has done in the statement he laid before the house. (Hear, hear.) I was almost unprepared to hear these details given with such elaborate exactness or such perfect decision of conclusion. (Hear.) I was not aware that the Government had arrived at such an absolute conclusion, but after hearing the statement of my noble friend I do think it must be admitted that the amendment moved on the other side cannot hold water. (Cheers.) I think it a very important consideration for your lordships whether you will throw back to the other House of Parliament a bill affirmed by large majorities, a bill the details of which have been canvassed with a persistency and acrimony rarely witnessed, a bill touching private and public interests in so remarkable a manner. I think it a very curious thing that your lordships should be asked to send the decision of the other House to a Royal Commission. I am a stranger in Parliament, but I believe that such a proposal, although not out of order, is without precedent. (Hear, hear.) To come back to the question raised by the noble earl, let us consider what is gained by the abolition of purchase. We have been told in moving terms that the army is going to be ruined. I suggested that something very novel and dangerous has been put before the country by Her Majesty's Government, that the officers will be ruined, and that the Army which carried us to victory in former days will carry us to victory no more if this ancient practice be abolished. Well, I have now for many years been in the Army, and I say, as a matter of personal experience, having served under Commanders-in-Chief from the days of Lord Hill, during the times of the Duke of Wellington, Lord Hardinge, and the illustrious duke, and I have not found any difference. The seniority of those who have got money is deemed to be a vested right, which must not be touched, and which must be regarded as something sacred. I speak as an old commanding officer of a regiment, and as a commander of armies, and I ask, is it possible that the moral influence of a commander can be maintained over a body of a thousand men if they know that they are being dangled about from year to year to be sold like a flock of sheep—that they are merely waiting for the convenience of such a commander until he determined in his mind whether they should be sold or not? ("Oh!") That is a fact. And I to be told that such a commanding officer wields that sort of influence over his men which stops crime, which leads his men to victory, and which enables them to perform their duty to their country? (Cheers.) It is quite true that this system of purchase has lasted for 200 years, but from what did it arise? It arose from certain notions of the sale of offices and the manner in which money was made by Ministers in the days of Charles II., and in subsequent times. If we trace this strange and ancient practice to its source, we really find that it is part of a system which we should call corrupt. Lord Macaulay, speaking of the age in which this system arose, says that from the nobleman who held the White Staff and the Great Seal down to the humblest tide-waiter gross corruption was practised without disguise and without reproach. Titles, places, commissions, and pardons were daily sold in market overt by the great dignitaries of the realm, and every clerk in every department imitated to the best of his power their corrupt practices. That, I believe, was the origin of Purchase in the British Army. After it became a matter of favour whether a regiment should be raised, and during the reign that succeeded Charles II. very much the same kind of thing was seen in England as was seen in France in the days of Louis Quatorze and Louis Quinze. The noble earl has told us that groundless based on the principle of selection is a process that will lead to all imaginable evils, which it is impossible to control. If that assertion can be proved, even in part, I admit that the noble earl is justified in the manner in which he adheres to the evidence which he gave 12 years ago. But what is there in the nature of the Army, or of the officers, or of the civil functionaries that administer the Army, to cause it to be more difficult for them to administer a system based on the principle of selection in a fair manner, such as we are accustomed to see in other establishments? I am perfectly at a loss to know why such a pother should be made about the selection of officers to command a certain number of regiments. For a good many years I have presided over armies in which this system of selection was carried out to the utmost. During that time, of course, one was subject to solicitation, but not to more solicitation, I have reason to believe from personal experience, than that to which the illustrious duke is more accustomed by the present system of Purchase. There was no great difficulty in administering that system. If the system of selection be administered with a real desire to promote the public interest, I believe there would be no greater difficulty in administering that system than has been found to exist in the Navy, or in any other department of the public service, or in any great private establishment. (Hear, hear.) As to the memorandum of the Duke of Wellington, which was read by the noble duke opposite, I draw an entirely different inference from that drawn by the noble duke. If it is true that duties of such an important character are imposed on the modern British officer, if it is true that in general he is able to meet those duties, and in a satisfactory manner, and there be any difficulty in an honest authority exercising selection among officers who are so tried as they are declared to be in that extract? There is one class in great force in the other House who, of all others, should demand that this system of Purchase be abolished. I allude to the officers themselves. In consequence of the system of Purchase, the officers of the Army are placed in a false position towards the country. They are the victims of an unfair detention on the one side, and, on the other, they are often the victims of class panegyric. I believe that there is much injustice in the allegations that have been urged to the officers' want of professional knowledge, and that as regards education they represent very favourably the progress which has been made in the country with respect to that matter for many years. Is it just that officers who have been well educated and have some professional knowledge should remain unpromoted, perhaps, for 20 years, and got a few hundred pounds? As to the regimental system, I have reason to believe that there is a good deal of misapprehension in the use of those terms. I was myself for a good many years a regimental officer, and I believe I am right in stating that the regimental system is in reality the application of certain general rules laid down by the War Department for the government and administration of regiments, and that commanding officers are held very strictly to those rules. The regimental system, as it is called, applies far more to the means adopted for the preservation of order and discipline and the instruction of officers than to that which it has been supposed to represent; and I venture to submit that a mistake is very often made by calling that a regimental system which is really a question of social feeling. That social feeling may be very valuable, but is it to be supposed that it would be rendered less powerful or less useful if we got rid of the system of Purchase? I do not think that as long as the inequalities and disadvantages of the present system exist the regimental *esprit* can possibly be what it ought to be. We find that the details of the proposed system of selection have been fully thought out. And that brings us to the question of retirement. I believe there is no intention at present to interfere with the existing very complete system of retirement. That system is one which already entails a very considerable annual cost upon the State, and when it is alleged by the noble duke opposite that it may possibly come upon us hereafter as a charge of £750,000, or perhaps of more than one million a year, it is clear that it must have escaped his memory that at least half the cost is incurred for retirement under the present system. In discussing this question of retirement I would ask leave to refer to a very admirable letter written by an hon. and gallant member of the other House (Colonel Anson), which appeared in *The Times* a few days ago, which appears to me to be one of the most valuable contributions upon this subject that has been made public in the course of the discussion on the abolition of purchase that have occurred during the last four or five months. If your lordships will permit me to do so, I will lay before you some of the conclusions at which Colonel Anson has arrived. Taking the case of the non-purchase corps first, he shows that, reckoning per head of the private soldiery, the cost of retirement upon full and upon half-pay in the Artillery amounts to £5 8s.; in the Marines, whose retirements are all upon full pay, to £3 15s., while in the Line it only amounts to an average of £1 12s. But assuming that the average half-pay retirement under the new scheme will average £2 per man for the whole Army more than it does at present, even in that case, in place of the enormous sum stated by the noble duke, we shall only have an additional annual cost to meet of some where about £240,000 per annum. I do not say whether or not these figures of Colonel Anson's are correct. I believe them to be so, and at all events he has given a fair challenge to any one to show that they are inaccurate. I must remind your lordships that this question of the abolition of purchase is not only a military but a constitutional and a popular one; that it is being discussed in every constituency throughout this country, and that we must look not to the effect of this bill upon the Army or the Estimates, but to the effect that will be produced upon the feelings of the country with regard to the Army if we throw it out. In all solemnity and seriousness I say that this is the gravest measure that has been brought before your lordships' House for many years; and if the threat I have heard uttered to-night is carried into effect, and this bill is thrown out, the officers of the Army, to whom the Government has striven to do justice; those men to whom we are all under such great obligations for the manner in which they have done their duties—sometimes glorious sometimes most arduous, but, for the most part, difficult and obscure—will be placed in such a position towards the country as will cause your lordships bitterly to repent of your act. (Hear, hear.) This is a subject upon which I have most deeply felt, and indeed there are few men among your lordships who are under such obligations to officers of the Army as I am, and I feel deeply, indeed, that they should be exposed to this trial. It is impossible not to attach great weight to the emphatic warning uttered by the Prime Minister in a recent debate in the other House, in which he showed that it would be impossible for the Government to permit henceforward any offer to take the over-regulation price for his commission. From this time forward the whole system of over-regulation prices in the Army must disappear, and any officer who shall attempt to violate the law on the subject will run the risk of being prosecuted. Therefore, I say, it seems to me that, taking all the circumstances into consideration, whether we look at the question in the interests of the officers of the Army, or whether we take into consideration the necessity that exists of placing the country and the Army in perfect harmony, it is absolutely necessary that we should pass this bill. To throw out the bill because there is no perfect scheme of re-organization laid before the country is not the way to meet the propositions of the Government. To avail yourselves of such a pretext to throw it out will be merely to insure the measure coming back to you again, perhaps much altered in its character, and to run the danger of events that may occur in the meantime. You are bound in determining this question to take into consideration not only what actually appears on the face of the bill, but also the whole Government scheme, of which this bill only forms a part. We have now an armed force of 500,000 men, and we have upwards of 400 field guns, and, under these circumstances, it is impossible to say that the country is not in a position to defend itself. Having only lately returned to this country, I confess I am astonished at the rasping criticism and menace with which any measure proposed by a Government of whatever party is received. I must hope, however, that your lordships will pause before you condemn a scheme which appears to be in all respects well considered. (Hear, hear.)

Earl Grey—The question we have before us is a very important one—it is whether we shall give our consent to the abolition of a system of promotion in the Army without knowing in any way what is to be substituted for it. The existing system certainly does furnish us with a body of officers who are very efficient and perfectly able to perform the duties which are assigned to them. I was, indeed, astonished to hear the noble and gallant lord who spoke last, after his experience in command of British soldiers, state that it was impossible that a colonel commanding 1,000 men, having attained his command under the present system, could exercise the moral power he ought to do over his soldiers. (Loud cheers.)

Lord Sandhurst rose to explain, amid loud cries of "Order."

Earl Grey—When I have finished the noble lord can again address the House. (Continued cries of "Order.")

Earl Granville—I have been in this House for many years and I never yet heard that during the speech of a noble lord who had misquoted what he had said, a peer was not allowed to explain what he really did say.

Earl Grey req uested the Clerk at the table to read the standing order, which was done, and at length Lord Sandhurst was allowed briefly to explain.

Earl Grey continued—It amounts, then, to this, that the noble and gallant lord in his long experience has known but one case in which, owing to some particular circumstance, a commanding officer had lost what he called his "moral command." (Hear, hear.) I admit that you might have that happen occasionally, but it does not at all shake my general statement that under the existing system, as a general rule, it is found that British officers have confidence in their men and British soldiers have confidence in their officers. (Hear, hear.) If that system is to be changed, it should be changed with deliberation and a perfect understanding of what is to be substituted for it. Well, I listened with the greatest pleasure to the very able speech of my noble friend the Under-Secretary for War. (Hear, hear.) It was impossible for any one to have stated the case of the Government better than he did. Nothing could have been more clearly, nothing more skilfully placed before your lordships than the statement which he made. But on two great points in support of the promotion his explanation was defective. There are two things wanted in this matter. The first is that promotion should occur in such a manner that there shall be a general feeling on the part of the officers that it is fairly given; and in the next place it is very necessary that by some means or other provisions should be made by which the current of promotion should be so regulated that men should not be left in the army as an unsuitable age, and that officers should not be of an age unsuitable to the rank they hold in the service. How will that be attained under the new system now proposed? My noble friend said you must have a system not of seniority but of selection, and that the system of selection will be strictly guarded and guided by the reports of commanding officers. Does my noble friend really think that practically that system could in the British Army and in our regiments without producing jealousies and heart-burnings? (Hear, hear.) Is he not aware that if it is known that promotion is to be entirely a matter of selection, there will be a constant feeling among the officers that some advantage over them is being taken, that one man may be afraid of another, and suspect that he is in communication with some superior officer who can represent his case favourably to the authorities, and may there not be intrigues on the part of officers to obtain promotion? (Hear.) I believe that under this system you would practically come to the system of seniority, except in extreme cases. Contrast that with what exists at present. It is admitted that you now have great facilities for getting rid of an officer who is not fit for promotion; that there is a moral pressure which induces him to sell out. He can retire with the price of his commission, and, practically, you have got rid of an efficient. It is a rule, if I mistake not, at the Horse Guards that no man is to be held to have a right to promotion unless the Commander-in-Chief thinks him qualified for it. Formerly, perhaps, that rule was not applied as strictly as it ought to have been, and the standard for promotion was not as high as it should have been. But that is a fault which could easily be corrected, and by the purchase system you did enjoy to a great extent the advantages of selection. But the case will be very different when purchase cannot sell out, and, on leaving the Army, has to give up all his prospects and all hope of securing a return. He cannot go on half-pay. A rule prevailed at the War Office when I was there 25 years ago, and I should think exists, that no man is allowed to be put on half-pay because he is incapable of obtaining full pay. But we are told that the objections to selection are visionary because it answers in the Navy and in India. Now, I believe that in the Navy promotion has been generally given most fairly and justly, but I ask whether there is a confidence on the part of the public that that is so, and whether it is not supposed that favouritism and partizanship have some share in the distribution of naval promotions. I, for my part, do not say that there is good ground for that impression in the public mind, but only that it exists. Remember, too, that there is this distinction between the Navy and the Army, that in the Navy a ship is commissioned, say, for three years, that at the end of that time they are paid off, and the officers are dispersed, never perhaps to meet again afterwards. But in the Army, on the other hand, unless you destroy the social system of the regiments, the advantages of which are acknowledged, the officers must live together for many years; and if you promote a man by selection on grounds which cannot be very clearly explained, how are you to expect either the officers themselves or the public to be satisfied that the promotion is fairly given? (Hear, hear.) Again, the noble and gallant lord says he has often worked very successfully in this manner in India. Yes, but India has a despotic Government, and there is no Secretary to the Treasury in India. (Cheers and laughter.) There are no constituencies or members of Parliament in India to come forward and press the claims of particular officers. And do you think that an officer serving perhaps in some unhealthy part of India, and doing his duty faithfully and honestly at that distance, would stand a fair chance in competition with some officer at home with powerful friends and relations? Parliament to back his claims? (Hear, hear.) Then what is the security in the selection being left to the Commander-in-Chief? But how is he to judge him? Why, subject to the approval of the Secretary of State for War (hear hear), who is to be responsible to Parliament for the manner in which it is exercised. I ask, can responsibility and power be separated? I say that where the responsibility lies there the power also must be. Suppose the Secretary of State should express a certain opinion as to the claims of a particular officer, and that the Commander-in-Chief, taking a different view of the case, should recommend some other officer. Then in what a position the Commander-in-Chief would be placed! Up would start some member of the House of Commons to accuse the Commander-in-Chief of a great job in having refused to accept the advice of the Government. I ask, then, will not the whole power fall practically into the hands of the Secretary of State? (Hear, hear.) I should deprecate nothing more than to see the Commander-in-Chief erected into an *imperium in imperio* or an independent officer able to bear the Government of the day. Nothing could be more injurious. That was always contended, and I still contend, for the complete authority of the ministers of the Crown over the Commander-in-Chief. But if that authority is to be real—and it must be so—by your system of selection you will incur all the dangers connected with partizanship in relation to promotion in the Army. (Hear, hear.) Then, with regard to retirement, an Army cannot be maintained in a proper state unless the officers can retire in reasonably quick succession. A noble viscount who spoke some time ago did not admit this, but said retirement was not more necessary for the Army than for any other profession. But the efficiency of every army in the world largely depends upon having men in command who have got a few years of life before them, and that can only be secured by a tolerably rapid flow of promotion. Therefore, not on account of the officers, but for the sake of the public interest, you must have a due rapidity of promotion maintained in your Army. The noble lord the Under-Secretary of State, in condemning Purchase, pointed out what appears to me one of the great advantages of the system. He pointed out how far more common it is for officers to retire before they attain high rank under a purchase system than under any other system. That is the great value of the system, because this result is obtained without cost to the public, and because it prevents stagnation. I quite admit that a great mistake has been made in this country and in many countries in Europe in not requiring officers to study and make themselves efficient both theoretically and practically, but that mistake is capable of correction; I believe it has been already corrected to a very great extent, and is likely to be corrected still further. On the question of retirement I quite admit it is impossible to make a perfect estimate of its cost, but it is certainly possible to draw up rules to regulate the conditions on which officers should retire on half-pay and full pay. (Hear, hear.) The great demand made by the country on the Government is to provide us with a larger Regular Force than we have at this moment, by means of an efficient Reserve; so that whenever danger arises we may be able suddenly to increase our Regular Force. Now how does the abolition of Purchase respond to this demand? We are not in want of officers, and in time of war we should have no difficulty in obtaining any number. Our real difficulty is to find a sufficient number of rank and file (hear, hear), and I want to know how the abolition of Purchase will meet this difficulty. This question is one which I have always considered a test of the policy of the Government. The bill before us was brought forward as a part of a great measure for placing the country in a state of safety, and the policy which the Government announced at the time this measure was first submitted to the Legislature was perfectly sound. It was based upon four or five cardinal rules for making the country free from danger and free from the apprehension of danger. The first was that the country must mainly depend upon the Regular Force, and if that force could not be very large, it should, at least, be very efficient. Secondly, if the country could not afford to maintain a sufficiently large and efficient force in arms, a large part of it should consist of a Reserve in close connexion with the Line. Thirdly, that, as a general rule, it would be absolutely necessary to make service in the Line as short as possible. And fourthly, it was said the Government were to rely as far as possible upon voluntary enlistment rather than compulsory service, unless upon great emergency arose. I believe these were the rules laid down. I think them perfectly sound, and I heartily subscribe to them all; but I say that the measures proposed to the country do not correspond to the promises held out. We are told our main trust must be in the Regular Force; but in the course of the present year we are provided with 108,000 men in our Regular Army, with 9,000 in our first Reserve connected with the Line, and 30,000 in the second Army of Reserve, including the pensioners, making 147,000 men—an inadequate force, for with these men, to say nothing of deductions on account of the sick, we should have to provide increased garrisons both at home and in the Mediterranean, and I want to know how many we should have left for the field. Will the remainder form an army sufficient to give us not only safety but complete freedom from apprehension? (Hear, hear.) If we are to rely on the Regular Force—and seeing how scientific a business war has become, it would be unsafe to trust to anything in the main but the most highly trained body of men it is possible to obtain—I say 147,000 is quite inadequate for that Regular Force. We may be told that in a few years we shall have a more powerful Reserve. I hope it will be so, but in the meantime I maintain that our Regular Army should be larger, not only because it is necessary in itself, but because a small force under the colours necessarily involves a slow formation of reserve forces. The Under-Secretary for War the other evening, in answer to the noble and gallant lord who preceded me, urged on behalf of the Government that the proportion of recruits now being enlisted was very much larger than it was in former times. So it should be very much larger, considering the term of service has been reduced by one-half. The noble and gallant lord complained of the practice of sending young soldiers to India, and the Under-Secretary for War, replying to this, said it would be prevented by a system of exchanging young men in regiments ordered for India into others at home. But if this were continued in conjunction with short service, the army at home would in time be mainly composed of young men and recruits, and that important element of strength in a regiment, its *esprit de corps*, would be destroyed. We may be told that all this is necessary as a foundation for the system which in the first place, the offering her £200 to return my letters. That I am quite certain I never did, and, what is more, I don't believe I had £200 at the time.

That is possible—It is very possible and very probable.

But that does not show you did not offer to give it. (Laughter.)—I am quite certain that letter was never written by me.

From what expressions are you so certain ?—Why from the whole of the expression of the letter. If I had written that letter I would boldly acknowledge it—believe me, I would.

The Solicitor-General—" Believe me," do you say ?

Sergeant Ballantine—Pray don't let us have any of those sneers. I say one thing only. It is very strange there is no envelope and no post mark.

The Solicitor-General—Then you acknowledge the other letters, do you ?

Witness—Well, I am not so certain about that after this.

The Judge—You had better look at the other two again.

Witness, at great leisure, did as the learned Chief Justice suggested, and said—I see it is very necessary indeed that I should have looked at these letters a little more carefully.

The Solicitor-General—You said you wrote them.

Witness—Yes, but I had no suspicion they had been tampered with. (He again examined the letters.) You will notice that the small s's are brought through with a curl, but there is not a "s" like that in any of my own letters.

The Judge—Have you now carefully looked through these other two letters ?

Witness—I have looked at them carefully, and I don't believe either one of them is in my handwriting. (Sensation.)

The Judge—Neither of the three, then ?

Witness—Neither one of the three, my lord.

Cross-examination continued—Will you swear, then, that these three letters are not in your handwriting ?—I swear, to the best of my belief, they are not.

Will you swear it ?—I will swear distinctly and positively about one of them, and I don't believe the others are.

What will you swear positively about ?—The one I detected first about the £200.

Will you swear as to the others ?—I will swear, to the best of my belief, they are not in my handwriting.

Cannot you swear positively about the others ?—How can any man swear positively when people imitate handwriting like this ? Look at the s's and o's.

Can you not pledge yourself one way or another as to the fact ?—I can swear I never wrote any letter about Orton to that woman, but simply about Broomhead. Why don't you produce the letters I wrote to her about Broomhead ? Tell me that.

Will you swear you did not write these other three letters ?—I'll swear I did not.

Not a word of them ?—Not a word of them.

The Judge—I thought you said you would not swear.

The Solicitor-General—Yes, you would not swear.

Witness—I swore to the best of my belief. You keep on asking me to swear, and I swear I did not write one, and that I don't believe I did the others.

Sergeant Ballantine—Your lordship will remember that I called attention to one line in the letter before this discussion arose.

The Judge—Now here is the letter of the 21st June. Is that your handwriting ?

Witness—Yes, that is mine, my lord. (It was the letter assuring Mrs. Pittindere that neither she nor her husband should suffer from the interview.)

The Solicitor-General—You say you did not write the letter of the 7th of July, in which the £200 occurs ?—Yes, I do.

Did you sign it ?—No, I did not sign it. It is not even my signature. It was the signature that first drew my attention to it.

Do you mean to swear that no one else wrote the letter by your direction or authority ?—I swear positively nobody wrote it, either by my authority or knowledge, and that no such letter was ever sent by my knowledge.

And do I also understand you to say you got no such answer ?—Yes, I positively swear I received no such answer.

You say you did not receive it, and you say that you have already once in this cross-examination admitted that you denied letters you had written ?—Denied ?

Yes, the Alresford one—Oh, yes, yes—(Laughter)—but that was with the knowledge I was doing so wrongly.

Just so. I venture to remind you, my lord, whether I ask you again, upon your oath, do you mean to deny that these letters were written with your authority and direction ?—Upon my solemn oath to God that letter was never written either by my knowledge or instruction.

That particular letter ?—That one particular letter, and I believe the others are similar.

Except the one about the secrecy ?—That is in my handwriting. I am certain the others are not. You will find in one of those letters the word "*ca*" has been attempted twice. I never did such a thing in my life.

Well, we had the "*ca*" once before, you know ?—And now you have got the "d." (Laughter.)

Sergeant Ballantine—I must call your lordship's attention to the fact that one of the letters is written upon blackedged paper—the letter which is said to be his own.

The Solicitor-General—And is written from Croydon.

Sergeant Ballantine—And the letter is a memorandum upon one of those letters which is apparently in a female's handwriting.

The Judge—Yes, the jury called my attention to it; but I don't think there is much in that.

Sergeant Ballantine—I do not know that anything turns upon it; but when documents of this kind are disputed every minute thing should be noticed.

The Judge—That, then, is a letter which he says now is in his handwriting.

Sergeant Ballantine—Not "now," my lord, he has always said so.

After some further colloquy witness again swore neither of the three letters was in his handwriting, viz., the letters of the 17th June, 27th June, and 7th July.

The Judge (to witness)—You said something just now about tampering with letters. What did you mean ?

Witness—I have no recollection of doing so, but I should like to be allowed just to go over these letters to point out the different forms by which I know they are not mine. I don't mean to interfere with the letters themselves.

The Judge—Let me understand first, do you mean to say that these three letters are not in your handwriting ?

Witness—No, my lord, they are not.

The Judge—Nor any parts of them ?

Witness—No, nor any parts of them.

Sergeant Ballantine—Before going further let me ask, do you wish to see these letters again ?

Witness—I should like to point out to the jury the difference between my other letters and this. Besides I may say I have a private mark in all my letters which is not here, but I do not wish to make that known now.

The Solicitor-General—I have just a question or two more to ask you. You have told me you did not write the letters, that they were not written by your sanction and direction, and that you did not sign them ?—Yes.

Do you mean to say then, that these letters have been furnished to us by Mrs. Pittindree they are forgeries ?—I say they are forgeries, whoever supplied them.

Were no such letters sent by your consent or direction ?—There were several letters written by me to Mrs. Pitty, or whatever her name is.

Pittindree—Very well, Pittindree, then ; but they were in regard to one Broomhead, and nothing whatever about Orton. I couldn't understand what you were reading about at first. Why don't you produce the letters I wrote about Broomhead ?

Don't ask me questions, sir. I produce such letters as I have—I think they all ought to be produced.

Just tell me this. Did she come to your house still after the 10th of July, 1867 ?—I can't tell you as to dates. She was there two or three times.

Did she tell you she thought you were an adventurer, and would not give your wife instruction—Wife instruction (laughing). You don't think I would allow such as her to enter even the room where my wife was !

Answer my question—No, then.

Do you mean to say you did not know she called at your house and saw your wife ?—I don't mean to say anything of the kind. I never hinted such a thing. What I say now is that I would no more allow her to go into the presence of my wife if I knew it than a beggar in the street, for she was not much better.

I don't share your ideas about beggars—Why, her own letters will prove what she is. She writes to tell me that she has hardly got anything to lie on, that the brokers are in the house, and that she doesn't know what to do.

Where are these letters ? I should like to see them—You shall see them soon enough, I can tell you.

Don't talk, but produce them—Can I carry a cartload of letters about with me ?

Did you after the 10th of July go to Mrs. Pittindree's house ?—No, I never was near the house.

Did you want her to give up to you the paper and the letters which you had addressed to her ?—I never was near her house, and did not even know where it was except from the address.

Did you call more than once at her house ?—I never even called once.

I ask you whether you called more than once ?

Sergeant Ballantine—And he says he never called once.

Cross-examination continued—Did you on one occasion bring a cheque with you saying it was a cheque signed by your mamma, and that you would give it to her for the papers which she had ?—Well you really astonish me (Laughter.) No, as God is my judge, nothing of the kind ever happened.

Well God will be your judge—There never was a cheque of my mother's. I was never within a mile, I was going to say 20 miles, of where she lived, wherever it is, and I never went near her house.

Did you call a third time at her house—(laughter)—and ask her to show you a paper she then had in her hand ?—I certainly did not.

Did you promise that if she would let you have the paper you would give it her back ?—What paper are you talking about ?

A paper that was in her hand ?—Good God, I never went near the woman's house.

Did she give you the paper ?—She gave me Broomhead's paper ; but that was in my own house.

Did she give you Charles Orton's paper ?—No, certainly not.

And did you put it in your pocket ?—I tell you she never gave me any paper or information about Charles Orton ; that I never was near her house ; and that I never saw that woman in my existence, that I swear most positively to my God, except in my own house.

Did you read the paper yourself, say "after all, it is nothing," and then fold it up and put it in your pocket—(laughter, in which witness joined) ?—I did not read it.

And when she said that wanted she to have it back, did you say you would not give it her—(laughter) ?—I did not.

And did she say it was a dirty, mean, unmanly trick—(Witness laughed)—She did not, indeed.

Did you then say that besides the paper if she would give you up your letters you would give her money ?—Certainly not.

Did she refuse ?—Certainly not.

And did you then go away ?—I certainly did not, for I never was there. (Laughter.)

The Solicitor-General (folding up his brief)—Well, I think you may go away now.

Witness (preparing to leave the box)—I think Mr. Solicitor you ought to inquire more, for your own sake, about that woman. (Laughter.)

The Solicitor-General—Oh, there is one question more. What was the private mark you spoke about ?—I should be very sorry to tell you. At least I should not object to tell you personally, but there are some others in Court I would not like to know. There will be some more forged letters, perhaps by-and-bye. I have no objection to impart the information to the judge and the jury.

By this private mark you say you can tell whether these letters are true or false ?—I do not go by it alone. I don't deny these letters for that because I did not even look for it.

Now it can't criminate you to tell what the private mark is ?—I decline to give it.

The Solicitor-General—I press it.

Sergeant Ballantine—The witness has said he would give it to the judge and jury.

The Judge—Would the purpose be answered by his writing it down on a piece of paper ? I think it will be better for all parties.

Witness—If it is to be supplied to them (the other side) I shall object.

The Judge—You have stated no grounds for declining.

Witness—I shall decline, my lord.

Sergeant Ballantine—In every case a certain amount, indeed a great amount, of discretion is necessarily reposed in the judge, and it is his duty to see that a substantial justice is done. The witness has expressed his willingness to supply your lordship and the jury with this private mark. His objects when he finds there are letters which he believes to be forgeries to furnish the knowledge of that private mark, so that it may be used for improper purposes, and I must ask your lordship whether, in your discretion, he ought to be asked to give it. (Applause, instantly suppressed.)

The Judge—I do not think I have any discretion in the matter. The witness is bound to answer all questions that are legal, and if this question is pressed, as it is, unless he has some legal objection, I am bound by law to administer the law, and say he is bound to answer.

The Solicitor-General—I am quite prepared to allow this —that the mark should be communicated to your lordship, the jury, and the counsel. I shall not go beyond that.

Witness—I should like to know whether you include Mr. Bowker as one of your counsel.

The Solicitor-General—I am not addressing you.

The Judge—The Solicitor-General presses the question, and I must rule one way or the other. It seems to me he is making a concession. Are you willing, Brother Ballantine, that the limited answer should be given ?

Sergeant Ballantine—I am not, my lord.

The Solicitor-General—Then I must press it, and you must take the responsibility of the publicity.

The Judge—The question must be answered.

Witness—I must decline to answer, for I am afraid improper use will be made of it. It is very material to me, and justice will not be done if I give them the information.

After a little further prolongation of the scene, the claimant agreed to write his private mark upon a piece of paper, for the judge, jury, and counsel, but on the understanding that the attorneys should not see it. The paper was accordingly duly inspected by the privileged gentlemen.

The Solicitor-General then selected a number of the claimant's letters at random, and asked him whether this mark was there. In nearly every case the witness admitted that it was absent, and explained that he did not pretend to use it always.

The Solicitor-General—I hope it will be remembered that in about twenty letters I have taken at haphazard the mark is not there. It does not, therefore, furnish no test.

Witness—It furnishes a test to my mind when I see a letter which I know is not mine, either in words or handwriting.

The Court then adjourned, half an hour later than its usual time.

THE "TICHBORNE BONDS."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY NEWS."

SIR,—In yesterday's proceedings the claimant stated that he had only received 400*l.* or 500*l.* out of the 1,000*l.* for which I am his creditor. Before the cross-examination commenced this morning, the claimant admitted he had received the full 1,000*l.* from me.

I am naturally anxious that this correction should appear, but from the confusion prevailing in the court at the time your reporter may not have heard the above statement. At the foot of this you will note the confirmation of it by the claimant.—Yours, &c.,

R. C. D. TICHBORNE.

10, Spring-gardens, London, S.W., July 5.

I have great pleasure in confirming the above.

R. C. D. TICHBORNE.

THE TICHBORNE CASE.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5.

[CONCLUDED FROM YESTERDAY'S "GAZETTE."]

Cross-examination continued—Now what is there in the handwriting of this letter which you deny which satisfies you you did not write it ?—Well, in the first place, the offering her £200 to return my letters. That I am quite certain I never did, and, what is more, I don't believe I had £200 at the time.

That is possible—It is very possible and very probable.

But that does not show you did not offer to give it. (Laughter.)—I am quite certain that letter was never written by me.

From what expressions are you so certain ?—Why from the whole of the expression of the letter. If I had written that letter I would boldly acknowledge it—believe me, I would.

The Solicitor-General—" Believe me," do you say ?

Sergeant Ballantine—Pray don't let us have any of those sneers. I say one thing only. It is very strange there is no envelope and no post mark.

The Solicitor-General—Then you acknowledge the other letters, do you ?

Witness—Well, I am not so certain about that after this.

The Judge—You had better look at the other two again.

Witness, at great leisure, did as the learned Chief Justice suggested, and said—I see it is very necessary indeed that I should have looked at these letters a little more carefully.

The Solicitor-General—You said you wrote them.

Witness—Yes, but I had no suspicion they had been tampered with. (He again examined the letters.) You will notice that the small s's are brought through with a curl, but there is not a "s" like that in any of my own letters.

The Judge—Have you now carefully looked through these other two letters ?

Witness—I have looked at them carefully, and I don't believe either one of them is in my handwriting. (Sensation.)

The Judge—Neither of the three, then ?

Witness—Neither one of the three, my lord.

Cross-examination continued—Will you swear, then, that these three letters are not in your handwriting ?—I swear, to the best of my belief, they are not.

Will you swear it ?—I will swear distinctly and positively about one of them, and I don't believe the others are.

What will you swear positively about ?—The one I detected first about the £200.

Will you swear as to the others ?—I will swear, to the best of my belief, they are not in my handwriting.

Cannot you swear positively about the others ?—How can any man swear positively when people imitate handwriting like this ? Look at the s's and o's.

Can you not pledge yourself one way or another as to the fact ?—I can swear I never wrote any letter about Orton to that woman, but simply about Broomhead. Why don't you produce the letters I wrote to her about Broomhead ? Tell me that.

Will you swear you did not write these other three letters ?—I'll swear I did not.

Not a word of them ?—Not a word of them.

The Judge—I thought you said you would not swear.

The Solicitor-General—Yes, you would not swear.

Witness—I swore to the best of my belief. You keep on asking me to swear, and I swear I did not write one, and that I don't believe I did the others.

Sergeant Ballantine—Your lordship will remember that I called attention to one line in the letter before this discussion arose.

The Judge—Now here is the letter of the 21st June. Is that your handwriting ?

Witness—Yes, that is mine, my lord. (It was the letter assuring Mrs. Pittindere that neither she nor her husband should suffer from the interview.)

The Solicitor-General—You say you did not write the letter of the 7th of July, in which the £200 occurs ?—Yes, I do.

Did you sign it ?—No, I did not sign it. It is not even my signature. It was the signature that first drew my attention to it.

Do you mean to swear that no one else wrote the letter by your direction or authority ?—I swear positively nobody wrote it, either by my authority or knowledge, and that no such letter was ever sent by my knowledge.

And do I also understand you to say you got no such answer ?—Yes, I positively swear I received no such answer.

You say you did not receive it, and you say that you have already once in this cross-examination admitted that you denied letters you had written ?—Denied ?

Yes, the Alresford one—Oh, yes, yes—(Laughter)—but that was with the knowledge I was doing so wrongly.

Just so. I venture to remind you, my lord, whether I ask you again, upon your oath, do you mean to deny that these letters were written with your authority and direction ?—Upon my solemn oath to God that letter was never written either by my knowledge or instruction.

That particular letter ?—That one particular letter, and I believe the others are similar.

Except the one about the secrecy ?—That is in my handwriting. I am certain the others are not. You will find in one of those letters the word "*ca*" has been attempted twice. I never did such a thing in my life.

Well, we had the "*ca*" once before, you know ?—And now you have got the "d." (Laughter.)

Sergeant Ballantine—I must call your lordship's attention to the fact that one of the letters is written upon blackedged paper—the letter which is said to be his own.

The Solicitor-General—And is written from Croydon.

Sergeant Ballantine—And the letter is a memorandum upon one of those letters which is apparently in a female's handwriting.

The Judge—Yes, the jury called my attention to it; but I don't think there is much in that.

Sergeant Ballantine—I do not know that anything turns upon it; but when documents of this kind are disputed every minute thing should be noticed.

The Judge—That, then, is a letter which he says now is in his handwriting.

Sergeant Ballantine—Not "now," my lord, he has always said so.

After some further colloquy witness again swore neither of the three letters was in his handwriting, viz., the letters of the 17th June, 27th June, and 7th July.

The Judge (to witness)—You said something just now about tampering with letters. What did you mean ?

Witness—I have no recollection of doing so, but I should like to be allowed just to go over these letters to point out the different forms by which I know they are not mine. I don't mean to interfere with the letters themselves.

The Judge—Let me understand first, do